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Congress Plan To Work Out Gandhiji's Ideals

Big Guns To Confer At Wardha On Mar. 12

Ministers From Central Govt. And Provinces To Attend

OVER FIVE HUNDRED WORKERS FROM ALL OVER INDIA TO TACKLE PROBLEM OF CONSTRUCTIVE PROGRAMME

WARDHA, Mar. 5. (U.P.I.): Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, Prime Minister, Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel Deputy Prime Minister and Moulana Abul Kalam Azad, Education Minister, of the Government of India are expected to reach Wardha on March 12 to attend the conference of constructive workers to be held here for three days commencing from March 13.

Other prominent leaders like Mr. O. P. Ramaswamy Reddy, the Madras Premier, Mr. Morarji Desai, Home Minister of Bombay, Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, Governor of West Bengal, Dr. P. C. Ghosh, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, and Rajkumari Amrit Kaur, Ministers of the Government of India, Mr. Mangaldas Pakwasa, the C. P. Governor, Acharya Kripalani, Mr. Shankarrao Deo, General Secretary of the Congress, are expected to attend the conference. Nearly 500 workers from all over the country are also participating in the conference.

The main object of the conference, which was to meet in the first week of February and postponed following Mahatmaji's assassination, is to find ways and means to perpetuate Gandhiji's ideals and decide on the policy and future course of programme.

RAJEN BABU ON TASK.

Dr. Rajendra Prasad, the Congress President, who is already here, is holding informal discussions with Acharya Vinoba Bhave, Sri Kishorilal Mashruwala, Mr. Shrikrishna Das Jaju, Prof J. C. Kumarappa and others in this connection.

The conference, it is learnt, will be held 'in camera'.

The Provincial Government is doing all they can for providing all facilities for the conference and taking all possible security measures.

The leaders and other invitees will take this opportunity to pay visit to the cottages of Mahatmaji, Kasturba Gandhi, Mahadeo Desai, as also the Sevagram Gopuri.

Pandit Nehru and Sardar Patel, according to present indications, are expected to address public meetings at the Wardha Commercial College.

BIGGEST A. I. C. C. SESSION EVER HELD

Arrangements To Admit 1,000 Pressmen: Site Selected On Reclamation Grounds

BOMBAY, Friday.

The biggest A.I.C.C. Session ever held in the last fifty years will come off in Bombay in the third week of April. This was revealed by Mr. S.K. Patil President of the Bombay Provincial Congress Committee, at a meeting of the Committee held this evening at the Congress House.

Mr. Patil said that the Congress, B.P.C.C., would be shortly undertaking preparations for the forthcoming session. He said the session would be held on the Reclamation Grounds on April. 24, 25 and 26 and they would make arrangements at the Government Law College to accommodate to the guests. Unlike the earlier sessions, this time the Congress had decided to make arrangement for nearly 1,000 pressmen.

Mr. S. L. Silam gave details of the was making. He said that they had appointed ten committees for this purpose.

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Mr. R. D. Singh and Dr. Narvane were appointed to the Executive Committee of the B.P.C.C. to fill vacancies caused by the resignations of Mr. Asoka Mehta and Mr. Purshottam Trikumdas.

The report of the Economic Programme Committee appointed by the A.I.C.C. was sent to a committee for consideration. The names of the Committee are: Messrs. S. K. Patil; M. Y. Nurie, Nagindas Master, P. R. Lele, R. M. Gandhi, K. A. Khimji and Navin Maparra.

The Committee by a resolution sent the constitutional proposals recommended by the last A.I.C.C. to the Constitution Sub-committee of the B.P.C.C.

Following are the names of the members of the Ten Committees and its respective office-bearers.

1. Pandal Construction Committee with 4 Sub-Committees namely:
1. Construction; 2. Arrangements; 3. Decorations. 4. Water & Sanitation.
Chairman— Mr. Nathalal D. Parikh. Secretary— Mr. Bimal Sharma.
2. Finance Committee:
Chairman— Mr. B. A. Khimji; Secretary— Mr. Shantaram Dahanukar.
3. Reception Committee:
Chairman— Mr. Nagindas T. Master. Secretary— Mr. P. K. Sawant. M. Tagnik.
4. Accommodation Committee:
Chairman— Mr. Y. K. Parulekar; Secretary Mr. Bhanushankar M. Nagnik.
5. Publicity Committee:
Chairman— Mr. S. A. Brelvi; Secretary— Mr. P. R. Lele.
6. Requirements Committee:
Chairman— Mr. K. M. Bhujpuria. Secretary— Mr. Kantilal Sharma.
7. Refreshments Committee:
Chairman— Mr. G. N. Desai; Secretary— Mr. B. V. Tambe.
8. Entertainments Committee:
Chairman— Mrs Lilavati Munshi: Secretary— Mr. Maheshwar Thakur.
10. Contact & Communication Committee:
Chairman— Mr. S. V. Sevani; Secretary— Mr. S. P. Nadkarni.
11. Medical Committee:
Chairman— Dr. T. R. Naravane; Secretaries— Dr. Miss Lila Rangnekar and Dr. B. R. Nayan.

Bidault Walks Out Of National Assembly

PARIS, March 5. (U. P. A.): Foreign Minister Georges Bidault, for the second time in two days, tonight walked out of the National Assembly when a Communist deputy accused the Government of "servility" toward the United States.

The charge, made by Deputy Marius Patinaud, was termed by Bidault as an "insult" to the Government. When Patinaud repeated the statement Bidault walked out of the Chamber followed by his Popular Republican Party and Rightist deputies.

AUSTRIAN TREATY TALKS

Charges And Counter-Charges By Foreign Ministers' Deputies

LONDON, March 5. (Reuter): The Soviet delegate to the Foreign Ministers Deputies Conference on Austria, Mr. H. V Koktomov, to-day accused the other three representatives of taking steps "backwards" instead of toward a settlement of the question of German assets in Austria.

It was the 72nd meeting of the four Deputies on the Austrian Peace Treaty.

M. Koktomov declared proposals on German assets had been "unconvincing".

The British delegate Mr. James Marjoribanks, re-affirmed the offer of the Western delegates yesterday to consider modifying their present position, if Russia would express her claims in concrete terms and asked if the Soviet Union would be similarly prepared to modify its position.

But M. Koktomov replied that the Soviet Government had already modified its claims and it was now upto the United States, France and Britain to make some concessions too.

There will be another meeting on Monday.

No Need For New Pact With Russia

Three Finnish Parties Oppose Generalissimo Stalin's Proposal

HELSINKI, March 5. (Reuter): Three of Finland's seven political parties to-day opposed a Finnish-Russian Military Assistance Pact on the lines suggested by Generalissimo Stalin in his letter to President J. Paasikivi last week.

Only two parties, the Communists and Left-Wing Peoples Democrats, have so far approved discussion of M. Stalin's seven-day-old request.

Under the constitution all the seven parties must give their approval before the Government can start negotiations.

The Conservative and Liberal parties told President Paasikivi to-day: "There is no reason to start negotiations for such a pact". The two parties hinted they would not oppose negotiations for a different kind of pact.

The Agrarian Party told the President "as Finland has concluded a peace treaty with Russia which forms the basis for mutual relations, there is no reason to conclude a new pact".

The two remaining parties are the Social Democrats and the Swedish Peoples Party.

A Communist speaker in a Fredriksberg railway workshop outside Helsinki asked the workers to-day: "Which do you choose? The capitalist hand or the hand of Comrade Stalin?"

Workers shouted: "Neither".

King To Visit Australia

LONDON, March 5 (Reuter): King George and Queen Elizabeth are to visit Australia and New Zealand early next year.

Princess Elizabeth and her husband, the Duke of Edinburgh, are not going with them.

EX-KING MICHAEL SAILS FOR NEW YORK.

SOUTHAMPTON, (ENGLAND), March 5, (U. P. A.): Ex-King Michael of Rumania and his mother, Princess Helen, sailed at 6-30 (G. M. T.), today, aboard the "Queen Elizabeth" for New York.

U. N. O. SETS UP AGENCY TO DEAL WITH SHIPPING

GENEVA, March 5 (Reuter): The United Nations Maritime Conference decided today to set up a new centralised agency of the United Nations to deal with shipping.

The organisation, agreed on after a fortnight's discussions by delegates of 35 nations, will be known as the Inter-Governmental Maritime Co-operative Organisation, and it will have its headquarters in London.

It will deal with technical problems and questions of discrimination and restrictive practices by Governments and private shipping firms.

The organisation will come into existence when 21 countries—seven of them with over 1,000,000 tons of shipping have approved it.

Until then a twelve-nation Preparatory Committee will act.

It consists of Argentina, Australia, Belgium, Canada, France, Greece, India, Holland, Norway, Sweden, Britain and the United States.

VALLABHBHAI INDISPOSED

NEW DELHI, March 5' (API): The Deputy Prime Minister Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel is indisposed. Consequently all his engagements for the next few days have been cancelled.

Bulgarian Envoy To Brussels Resigns

BRUSSELS, March 5. (Reuter): M. Vassil Youroukoff, Bulgarian Minister to Brussels, announced his resignation today in a note to the Press in which he declared he could not represent Bulgaria's Sovietised regime "which has been installed against the wishes of the people with the aid of violence."

BAJPAI TO MEET ATTLEE

LONDON, March 5 (Reuter): Sir Girja Shankar Bajpai, Secretary-General of External Affairs for India who is taking Sheikh Abdullah's place on the Security Council for the resumed conference on the Kashmir problem, arrived at Hurn airport today from Rome on his way to New York.

It is understood that he will see the British Prime Minister Mr. Clement Attlee, before continuing his journey.

Members of the Press Laws Enquiry Committee are seen discussing proposals for the revision of the existing laws in India relating to the press. Photo shows. Left to Right: Sri Narain Mahtha, Nawab Mohammad Ismail Khan, Shri S. A. Brelvi, Editor of the "Bombay Chronicle" Bombay, Shri Ganga Nath (Chairman), Sri G. V. Bedekar, I.C.S., (Secretary) and Shri Mohanlal Saxena.

NIZAM'S ATTACK ON INDIAN CURRENCY

AURANGABAD, March 5, (API): The Nizam's Government have issued fresh instructions to banks, drastically curtailing exchange facilities for Indian currency, it is understood.

Hitherto local banks were freely exchanging Osmania Sicca currency with Indian currency at the official rate of exchange more than Rs. 50 at a time to any one, and that on giving a declaration in writing that the Indian currency obtained in exchange is being sent out by money order or for clearing a V.P. Parcel.

Banks give exchange facilities for this limited sum only to their clients and persons without an account in the banks find it difficult to get Indian currency, as its local circulation has been completely stopped.

Small coin transactions in Indian currency are also prohibited.

ECONOMIC AFFAIRS SUB-COMMITTEE

The Nizam's Government have appointed an "Economic Affairs Sub-Committee" of the Council of Ministers, to deal with economic problems arising out of the signing of the Standstill Agreement.

The Sub-Committee will consist of the following Ministers: The Prime Minister, the Deputy Prime Minister, the Finance Minister, the Minister for Commerce and Industries, and the Minister for Planning.

SEARCHES AND ARRESTS IN CALICUT

CALICUT, March 5 (A.P.I.): Following the recent ban imposed by the Government of Madras on certain Communist volunteer organisations, the Inspector of Police, Calicut, with a posse of Armed Reserve, this morning conducted searches at several Communist offices both inside and outside the municipal area. About eighteen places were searched, including the residences of prominent Communist workers. Some records were seized by the police and a few prominent Communist workers were taken for interrogation.

HUGE HAUL OF ARMS

MEERUT, March 5 (A.P.I.): A large quantity of arms and ammunition including one countrymade cannon, one pistol, five live bombs, swords, spears about 80 shot gun and rifle cartridges, gunpowder and cartridge-making machines, was recovered by the Anti-arm Smuggling Police as a result of several house searches in the villages of Mohammadpur in Meerut district. Several arrests were made in this connection.

7 MIRAJ BUSINESSMEN ARRESTED

MIRAJ, March 5 (U.P.I.): Seven prominent merchants and businessmen of Miraj have been arrested by the police, under orders of the Administrator for Law and Order, Miraj Senior State. The arrested persons include Mr. Mohmed Hanif, Mr. Abdul Bale Zari, Bakruddin Zeri, Gulao Parid Malidwali, Mr. V. R. Bhise, goldsmith and Manku Gawali, hotelkeeper.

Jamiat To Be Dissolved?

NEW DELHI, March 5, (I.P.A.): The All-India Council of the Jamiat-ul-Ulema-i-Hind which is due to meet here on March 20 and 21 is expected to pass the resolution drafted by its Working Committee to the effect that there is no need for the organisation to exist as a separate Muslim political party.

The Working Committee drafted this resolution on the strength of the decisions taken by the Lucknow Conference of Muslims of the India Union.

Chiang Leads Memorial Service For Mahatma

NANKING, March 5 (Reuter): General Chiang-Kai Shek led a large gathering of foreign diplomats and military and civic leaders in Nanking this morning in a solemn memorial service for the late Mahatma Gandhi.

Indians of all castes and a large number of Buddhist priests bowed in prayer when the President called for two minutes' silence in tribute to the Indian leader.

NO TRUCK WITH CIVIL RIGHTS FIGHT

WASHINGTON, March 5, (Reuter): The Republican-dominated House Appropriations Committee refused today to mix into the Civil Rights fight.

'DAKOTA' CRASHLANDS.

MADRAS, March 5. (A.P.I.): A 'Dakota' aircraft of the Jupiter Airlines returning from a trial flight crashlanded at the Meenambakkam airstrip here this afternoon. No one on board was injured but the undercarriage of the plane was bodly damaged.

LATEST COMMERCIAL NEWS

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FREE PASSAGE TO SIND EVACUEES

KARACHI, March 5 (A.P.I.): The Sind Evacuation Committee has decided that hereafter all tickets for Kathiawar ports should be given free while tickets for Bombay should be charged. Harijans and Maharathas will be given free passage.

BOGUS HOUSE ALLOTMENTS IN PAKISTAN?

KARACHI, March 5 (A.P.I.): Mr. Abdul Gafoor Jakharani, Additional Rent Controller, his peon and three other persons were arrested today for issuing bogus house allotment orders. They were produced before a Magistrate who released Mr. Jakharani on bail of Rs. 15,000 and the others on bails ranging between Rs. 8,000 to Rs. 2,000.

HUNGER-STRIKE IN PATIALA

JULLUNDUR March 5, (A.P.I.): In Faridkot State Government has arrested 500 volunteers of Azad Government. These include seven Ministers of the Azad Government and the City Magistrate of Faridkot who recently joined the Azad Government.

Reports reaching here from Patiala reveal that Rameshwar Dutt, a member of the Gandhi Sewa Sangh, has started fast unto death as a protest against "goondaism" in Patiala State

ANGLO-FRENCH DRAFT REACHES BRUSSELS.

BRUSSELS, March 5, (Reuter): Mr. Gladwyn Jebb, Assistant Secretary of State at the British Foreign Office, and M. Jean Chouvel, General Secretary of the French Foreign Office, after delays caused by Fog arrived here tonight with the final Anglo-French draft for a Western Union Treaty.

JOE LOUIS MOBBED BY M. PS.

LONDON, March 5, (U. P. A.): Joe Louis, the heavyweight champion of the world, visited the Houses of Parliament today and was mobbed by members for his autograph. Joe's wife accompanied him to the strangers gallery of the Commons to listen to a debate on the National Assistance Bill.

BR. CRUISER FOR ANTARCTIC.

LONDON, March 5 (U. P. A.): An Admiralty spokesman announced today that the British cruiser, "Nigeria" had proceeded from Deception Island to Pourquoi Bay in the Antarctic to lodge a protest with the Argentine authorities for intercepting the Norwegian vessel "Brategg".

COMMUNISTS CLASH WITH NIZAM'S POLICE.

HYDERABAD (Dn.) March 5, (A. P. I.): The Hyderabad State Police exchanged fire with an armed gang, alleged to be Communists, in the village of Goisguda in Warangal District, according to reports received here.

ABDUL GHAFFAR KHAN WANTS AZAD PAKISTAN

HAVE FOREIGN EXPERTS BUT NO BRITISH ADMINISTRATORS, HE URGES

KARACHI, March 5 (A.P.I.): Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, the "Frontier Gandhi" and leader of the Khudai Khidmatgars, in his maiden speech in Pakistan's Parliament to-day stated: "I look at the Pakistan administration and find that there is no difference between it and the British administration. Corruption now is far greater than during British rule."

"We are more British in administration now and we are following the same old policy. While in India the Indians have Indian Governors and even a woman as a Governor, we have some British Governors. The British that we turned out from the Frontier are now again on the top of us. Is this Islamic brotherhood and equality?"

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan, who spoke for thirty minutes in Urdu, decried the making of law through ordinances and warned that "the rule by force is always temporary and is hated."

"The people will hate you if you use force."

Stating that he had been charged with creating Pathan provincialism, he put the question: "Have I started provincialism in Sind, Bengal and the Punjab."

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan intervening said: "We do not believe in provincialism but in Pakistan."

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan: "Who taught provincialism but the Punjabis? (laughter).

Explaining his demand for Pathanistan he said: "We want in Pakistan an autonomous area or all the Pa- I want what Islam wants.

"We want you to help us to unite all the Pathans east of the Durand Line."

Referring to the politics in the North West Frontier Province, Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan said: "Come and join the Muslim LLeague we are and join the Muslim League we are told. We say the Muslim League's work and duty is over with the achievement of Pakistan."

Mr. Ghazanfar Ali Khan intervened and said in Urdu that the work for the consolidation of Pakistan remained.

Mr. H. S. Suhrawardy in Urdu said "Not through the Muslim League."

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan who was speaking on his cut motion (on the Finance Minister's demand for grants for the Cabinet) to discuss General Administration, said: "That Pakistan has come to being is an acknowledged fact. But, now how will we run the country? Pakistan is a poor country, then why should it be run to the advantages of capitalists? Why should the poor be taxed"?

Quoting from the ways of Hazrat Ali and the administration of Muslim Caliphs, he said: "The way is there but we must sacrifice. Without toleration we cannot make Pakistan great."

He said that the economic and political equality of Islam must be practised in Pakistan.

"You should be the servants of the

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TURKEY STRIKES OIL

ANKARA, March 5. (Reuter): The Turkish Minister of Economy confirmed in a Communique today that a rich petroleum sheet has been discovered in the Ramandagh area of the Tigris Valley.

The newly bored well there was yielding about 50 tons of crude oil daily, and drilling had reached a depth of about 4,500 feet, it said.

Further drillings were being carried out in the vicinity, the Communique added, and it was believed the output would be greatly increased by improving existing machinery.

Fog Postpones West Europe Union Talks

BRUSSELS, March 5. (Reuter): The second session of the Five-Power Conference to draft Western Union Pact, due to be held here this afternoon, has been postponed until tomorrow morning because Britain's delegate was held up by fog.

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ARABS SHOOT DOWN JEWISH AIRCRAFT

JERUSALEM, March 5' (Reuter): A Jewish light aircraft, which was said to be machinegunning Arab position in Jaffa, was shot down and crashed today, the Arab National Committee of Jaffa claimed tonight in a telephone message to the Arab Higher Committee headquarters in Jerusalem.

15 Killed In Hagana Attacks On Arabs

JERUSALEM March 5 (U.P.A.) — Hagana carried out a sizeable attack against Arab bands in the Sharon Coastal Plain today and early reports said that 15 Arabs were killed and a considerable number wounded. The main action was at Biradas, near Magdiel, and at Kfarsaba, near the coast northeast of Tel Aviv.

The Arabs reportedly had converted Biradas into a base from which they carried out several raids on neighbouring Jewish colonies, killing ten Jews and wounding 20.

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65-66. From Dr. G. R. A. Sheikh—For (65) devising ways and means to minimise invalidation of votes at Municipal elections; and (66) amending the Municipal Act so as to lay down that candidates for Municipal elections should have a rudimentary knowledge of English.

67-70. From Mr. Suleman M. A. Darvesh—For (67) requesting the Commissioner of Police to prohibit the parking of cars on both sides of Cinema Road behind the Metro Cinema and to provide for one way traffic thereat; (68) providing in connection with the holding of Municipal elections in respective wards one Mandap instead of dividing it into two parts separated from each other as was done at the recently held Municipal elections, etc.; (69) increasing the deposit to be paid by the candidates to Rs. 2,000 or so in order to discourage candidates standing for Municipal elections without BONA FIDE intention of contesting the same, etc; and (70) amending the Municipal Election Rules so as to permit the candidates standing for Municipal elections as many agents as there may be compartments to the Mandap for the Poll.

71. From Mr. Narsingrao C. Pupala—For providing a Municipal dispensary in the Kumbharwada area.

72. From Mr. Nathalal D. Parikh—For improving the conditions of the Blind Lane at French Road, etc.

73-74. From Mr. Mirza Akhtar Hasan—For (73) covering the drains leading from Suriaya Kund to Reay Road; and (74) removing waste and refuse dung near the mosque at Reay Road.

75-76. From Mr. Naushir C. Bharucha—For (75) requesting the B.E.S. & T. Committee to run special tram and bus service in certain localities between 12 midnight and 1 A.M. for the convenience of workers of the Textile Mills working at night; and (76) establishing a convention requiring the members of the B.E.S. & T. Committee to resign when a new Corporation is elected, etc.

77-78. From Mr. Shivdas C. Thakkar, seconded by Mr. Narsingrao C. Pupala—For (77) providing proper pavement on footpaths along Mazagaon Road and Victoria Road; and (78) opening public Ayurvedic dispensaries in different parts of the City, etc.

79. From Mr. K. H. Goregaoker—For inviting the attention of the G.I.P. Railway authorities to the unsatisfactory condition of the stair case leading to the Frere Bridge and requesting them to overhaul the whole Bridge.

By Order of
His Worship the Mayor,
B. V. MODY,
Municipal Secretary.

Municipal Corporation Office.
Bombay, 5th March, 1948.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE HAVING BEEN GIVEN of the loss of Policy No. 28813 for Rs. 1000/- of Mr. Trikamlal Shivlal Shah, c/o M/s. Hiralal V. Shah & Co., Mehta Building, Medows St., Fort, Bombay, a duplicate thereof will be issued after one month from date if no objection is lodged with us in the meantime.

DEVICHAND SAWHNEY,
General Manager,
The Lakshmi Insce. Co., Ltd.,
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THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTY-SEVENTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the Shareholders of The Central Bank of India, Limited will be held at the Central Bank Building, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay on WEDNESDAY, the 24th day of March, 1948 at 4-30 P.M. (S.T.) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive the Report of the Directors and the Audited Accounts for the period ended 31st December, 1947.
2. To declare a dividend.
3. To elect Mr. Manmohandas M. Amersey, who vacates his seat as a director under Article 86 of the Articles of Association and who is eligible and offers himself for re-election.
4. To elect three Directors in place of Mr. Nurmahomed M. Chinoy, Mr. Bapuji D. Lam and Mr. Vithaldas Kanji who retire by rotation under Article 94 of the Articles of Association read with regulation 78 Table A of the Indian Companies Act and who are eligible for re-election.
(5) to appoint Auditors and to fix their remuneration.

By Order of the Board,
H. C. CAPTAIN,
Managing Director.

Bombay, 3rd March, 1948.

N.B.:—

(1) The Transfer Books of the Bank will be closed from Thursday, the 11th day of March 1948 to Saturday, the 27th day of March 1948 (both days inclusive).
(2) Dividend Warrants for the half year ended 31st December, 1947 will be posted to the shareholders at their registered address on and after 29th day of March, 1948. Shareholders are requested to intimate the Bank their change of address, if any, immediately.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. SALEBHOY ABDULKADER and HATIMBHOY ABDULKADER, both of Sidhpur and Bombay Muslim Bohra Inhabitants have contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client. All persons having any claim of any sort against the said property are requested to notify the same in writing to the undersigned within 14 days. In default the claim, if any, will be deemed to have been waived and sale completed.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land or ground with the messuages tenements and buildings standing thereon situate, lying and being at SARANG STREET, Bombay, containing by admeasurement 177 sq. yards., bearing new Survey No. 2085 and Cadastral Survey No. 549 of Mandvi Division and assessed by the Municipality under B. Ward No. 137 and Street Nos. 156 and 160 and new Street No. 54 Sarang Street and bounded on the east by the said Sarang Street, west by sweeper's passage, north by the property of Sarafali Abdulali Mahableshwarvala and on the south by the house of Abdul Rasul Mulla Hasanali.

Dated this 5th day of Mar. 1948.

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Purchaser's Attorneys.

Lentin Chambers,
Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay.

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NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Dr. BURJOR RUSTOMJI KARANJIYA and KHORSHED BURJOR KARANJIYA, of Chakala, near Andheri, have contracted to sell to our client the undermentioned pieces of vacant land, situate at the village of Chakala near Andheri in Greater Bombay.

Any person having any claim or interest in or to the said property by way of sale, mortgage, charge, trust, lien, possession, gift, inheritance, lease, exchange, use, easements or otherwise howsoever is hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at 13/19, Medows Street, Fort, Bombay, within fourteen days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without any regard to any such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

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87	11	6 gunthas
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Dated this 5th day of March, 1948.

DAPHTARY, FEREIRA & DIVAN,
Attorneys for the Purchaser.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

PORT TUG—"DHAIRYA"— is under special repairs to the bottom in Mazagaon Dry Dock, Bombay. About 200 to 250 cwt. of 3/8" plates are being replaced. Contractors desiring to purchase old plates should submit offer on basis of weight in Cwt. The weighment will have to be arranged and plates will have to be carried from Mazagaon Dry Dock. Plates will be allowed to be removed after full payment of the amount. Quotations to reach "HARBOUR ENGINEER—PORT OKHA" before 15-3-48. Those desirous to see plates should meet Mr. Phirozshah S. Engineer, Jerbaug, A-28, Byculla, Bombay.

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EASTERN PUNJAB RAILWAY
PASSES TO RETIRED EMPLOYEES OF THE OLD N.W. RAILWAY.

IT IS NOTIFIED for general information that the retired employees of the old N. W. Railway who may now desire to elect E. P. Railway as their home line in respect of passes, should choose any of the Pass Issuing Offices on this Railway viz. Divisional Offices Delhi and Ferozepore and Chief Administrative Officer's Office, Delhi, for the purpose of obtaining special passes as admissible under the Rules. Each individual should, therefore, give a declaration for record on the form obtainable from any of the above offices.

CHIEF ADMINISTRATIVE OFFICER.

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LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Bai TARABAI, widow of Raghunath Dadoba Shirwalkar has contracted to sell the undermentioned property to our client.

ALL persons having any claim against or to the said property by way of inheritance, mortgage, sale, gift, lease, lien, charge, trust, maintenance, easement or otherwise howsoever are hereby required to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at their office at Jehangir Wadia Building, 51, Mahatma Gandhi Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise, the sale will be completed without reference to such claim and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

THE SCHEDULE OF THE PROPERTY.

ALL that piece or parcel of land known as Plot No. 159 of the Shivaji Park Scheme at Mahim of the Municipal Corporation of the City of Bombay in the City and Island and Sub-Registration District of Bombay, containing by admeasurement 641 square yards or thereabouts and which piece of land forms portion of New Survey No. 1507 and bears Cadastral Survey No. 1868 of Mahim Division together with buildings and outbuildings thereon assessed under G Ward No. 4839(3), Street No. 168-B and bounded, on the North-East by a sixty feet road, on the South-East by Plot No. 157 of the said Scheme agreed to be leased to Sheth Devsi Raja, on the South-West by Plot No. 158 of the said Scheme agreed to be leased to Mrs. K. G. Rangnekar and on the North-West by Sixty feet Cadell Road.

Dated this 5th day of March, 1948.

R. K. GANDHI.
For M/s. Manilal Kher Ambalal & Co.,
Purchaser's Attorneys.

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IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION.
Suit No. 4159 of 1947

THE ASSOCIATED BANKING CORPORATION OF INDIA LTD. (In Liquidation) Plaintiffs.
Versus
GULAM MAHOMED IBRAHIM & ORS. ..... Defendants.

To
GULAM MAHOMED IBRAHIM, Esq.,
The 1st Defendant abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that this Honourable Court will be moved before the Honourable Mr. Justice Coyajee on Friday the 12th day of March 1948 at 11 O'clock in the forenoon (S.T.) or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard, on behalf of the Plaintiffs for the following orders: —

(a) That pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit the Court Receiver or some other fit and proper person be appointed Receiver of the 19 Cinema Pictures mentioned in paragraph 8 of the Plaint herein and of all rights in respect of the said pictures created in favour of the Plaintiffs by the writing dated the 20th June 1946 Ex. E to the Plaint herein with all powers under Order 40 Rule 1(d) of the Code of Civil Procedure including the power to exploit and exhibit the said Pictures.
(b) That pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit the 1st Defendant, his agents and servants be restrained by an order and injunction of this Hon'ble Court from alienating or in any manner dealing with the said 19 cinema pictures and the rights in respect of the said pictures created in favour of the Plaintiffs by the said writing dated the 20th June 1946 Ex. E to the Plaint herein.

AND TAKE NOTICE also that special leave to give this Notice has been obtained under Rule 350 of the High Court Rules.

Dated this 11th day of February 1948.

(Sd.) PEREIRA FAZALBHOY,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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LEGAL NOTICES

IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUDICATURE AT BOMBAY
ORDINARY ORIGINAL CIVIL JURISDICTION
Suit No. 4160 of 1947.

THE ASSOCIATED BANKING CORPORATION OF INDIA LTD. (In Liquidation) .. .. Plaintiffs.
Versus
SHIRAZ ALI HAKIM & ORS. .. Defendants.

To
SHIRAZ ALI HAKIM, Esq.,
The 1st Defendant abovenamed.

TAKE NOTICE that this Honourable Court will be moved before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Coyajee on FRIDAY, the 12th day of March, 1948, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon (S.T.) or so soon thereafter as Counsel can be heard, on behalf of the Plaintiffs abovenamed for the following orders:

(a) That pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit the Court Receiver or some other fit and proper person be appointed Receiver of the Machinery, equipment, furniture, fixtures and other articles mentioned in the list comprised in Ex. "B" to the Plaint herein with all powers under Order 40 Rule 1(d) of the Code of Civil Procedure.
(b) That pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit the Court Receiver or some other fit and proper person be appointed Receiver of the picture "The Great Mughal" or "Mughale Azam" and of all rights in respect of the said picture created in favour of the Plaintiffs by the writing dated the 17th June, 1946, Ex. G to the Plaint herein with all powers under Order 40 Rule 1(d) of the Code of Civil Procedure including the power to exploit and exhibit the said picture;
(c) That pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit the 1st Defendant his agents and servants be restrained by an order and injunction of this Hon'ble Court from alienating or in any manner dealing with the said machinery equipment, furniture, fixtures and other articles mentioned in the list comprised in Ex. B to the Plaint herein.
(d) That pending the hearing and final disposal of this suit the 1st Defendant his agents and servants be restrained by an Order and injunction of this Hon'ble Court from alienating or in any manner dealing with the said picture "The Great Mughal" or "Mughale Azam" and the rights in respect of the said picture created in favour of the Plaintiffs by the said writing dated the 17th June 1946 Ex. G to the Plaint herein.

AND TAKE NOTICE also that special leave to give this Notice has been obtained under Rule 350 of the High Court Rules.

Dated this 11th day of February, 1948.

(Sd.) PEREIRA FAZALBHOY & CO.,
Plaintiffs' Attorneys.

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AUCTION SALES

AUCTION SALE OF UNCLAIMED GOODS at Lost Property Office, V. T. including articles said to be of gold and silver, carpets. Old and New clothes, blankets, brass copper and Alum. vessels, books shoes, hats, trunks, medicines, cycles watches, biddis, cigarettes, etc. on Monday, 22nd and Tuesday 23rd Inst. at 11 A.M. (S.T.) each day under instructions from the G.I.P. Rly., and in accordance with Sections 55 and 56 of Indian Railways Act 9 of 1890.

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BONAFIDE SALE

AUCTION SALE TOMORROW (SUNDAY) at 10-30 a.m. Property of G. Holden, Esqr. and others at Chowpatty sea face near Vianellis Restaurant of complete household and office furniture, 48 Eng. milners and Austrian safe, mirror door, steel almirah inside fire proof safe, type writer, Singer machine, dining, writing and dressing table, chairs, show case, chesterfield, almirah, bed, partition, large Eng. ice box, etc. (S. Tax) T. 40213. EASTERN AUCTION CO.

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AUCTION SALES

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Under instructions from M/s. Haji Moosa Ismail & Sons, Importers and Exporters, and on account and at the risk of the defaulting purchasers M/s. BENNETT & CO., will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, 17th March 1948 at 3-30 P.M. (S.T.) at their rooms, at 120 Apollo Street, Fort, in one lot: about 10,000 Brand new American Books. Prices ranging from $1.00 to $4.00 per book. On view from 15th inst. Detailed lists available from 11th inst. Terms:—25% cash deposit and balance together with sales tax within 4 days and delivery within 7 days.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE PROPERTY KNOWN AS HARARWALLA BUILDING AT BALLARD ESTATE.

Under instructions from the Joint Receivers appointed in Suit No. 750 of 1947 (Mahomedbhai Mulla Buxabhai Shaikh Abdul Rahim vs. Mulla Mahomedali Shaikh Sarafali and others) and pursuant to the Directions contained in the Consent Decree dated 24th September, 1947. M/s. BENNETT & CO. will sell by Public Auction on WEDNESDAY, 31st March, 1948, at 4 P.M. (S.T.) at the premises.

All that piece of land with building situate on plot No. 29 of the Ballard Estate of the Trustees of the Port of Bombay, known as Hararwalla Building, admeasuring about 847 sq. yds., bearing Cadastral Survey No. 29/1157 of Fort Division, bounded on the North-East by Wittet Road, on the South by Plot No. 30, on the North-West by Plot No. 28 and on the South-West by Plot No. 22.

For further particulars and conditions of sale apply to M/s. Vakil Dadabhoy & Bharucha, Attorneys for the Joint Receivers or to the undersigned.

AUCTION SALE OF RIGHT, TITLE & INTEREST OF PROPERTY AT TITWALA NEAR KALYAN.

In the High Court of Judicature at Bombay in Insolvency No. 211 of 1941,

In the matter of Nensey Tejpal Kanji Tejpal, Sunderji Tejpal and Goculdas Tejpal traded as Nensey Tejpal & Co., Insolvents.

Under instructions from the official Assignee of Bombay and Assignee of the estate and effects of the abovenamed insolvents and of Shaikh Siddick Mahomed (Insolvent in Insolvency No. 12 of 1941) M/s. BENNETT & CO. will pursuant to the order made herein on 8th day of October, 1942, sell by Public Auction, subject to the Official Assignee's confirmation, the right, title and interest of the abovenamed insolvents and of the said Shaikh Siddick Mohomed the Mortgagors and of The Bank of Baroda Ltd. the Mortgagees in the undermentioned property of the said insolvents at Titwala near Kalyan in one lot at their rooms at 120 Apollo Street, Fort, Bombay, on Monday the 22nd day of March 1948 at 4 P.M. (S.T.) in the afternoon. The sale will be confirmed by the Official Assignee of Bombay in his office on Wednesday the 7th day of April, 1948, at 1 p.m. (S.T.)

All those pieces or parcels of land or ground with the buildings, tenements, chawls and structures standing thereon situate at Mouje Mande in the Taluka and Registration Sub-District of Kalyan in District of Thana near the Titwala Railway Station and bearing the following numbers, etc.

Entry No.	Survey No.	Hissa No.	Area Acres	Area Guntha.	Assessment Rs.	as.	ps.
247	37	12	0	18½	1	3	0
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DENA BANK CONTINUES ON ITS ONWARD MARCH

Consolidation Of Rapid Progress In 9 Years Yields Satisfactory Results

The Eleventh Ordinary General Meeting of Devkaran Nanjee Banking Co., Ltd., was held on Friday, the 5th March, 1948, at its Head Office, Bombay. Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee, the Chairman of the Bank, presided.

Before the proceedings began, the meeting standing paid its humble homage to revered Mahatma Gandhiji, the Father of our Nation, who had passed away to the untold sorrow of the country in less than six months after it had achieved independence under his aegis.

In moving the Resolution for the adoption of the Directors' Report and the Accounts for the year ended 31st December, 1947, Mr. Pranlal referred 'inter alia' to the consolidation of the rapid progress that the Bank had made during the nine years since it started, and thought that the Bank had shown satisfactory results and succeeded fairly well in its efforts towards greater efficiency, better management and higher standards. He said also that the Bank had no branches in the Punjab, and in or near Pakistan, and its policy of expanding nearer home had saved it from the anxieties on that score.

HOW TO AVOID WASTEFUL COMPETITION

He further stated "As regards competition among banks, an esteemed authority had during the year sounded the following valuable advice: 'In order to avoid wasteful competition, banks should form associations for every place, district, province, etc., and enter into mutual agreements regarding the rates of interest for various classes of deposits or advances, exchange for drafts and telegraphic transfers, commission for the collection of bills, purchase and sale of securities, etc. Banks should also refrain from attracting staff employed in other banks by offering higher salaries.' So far as we are concerned, you will be glad to know, Gentlemen, that we have always tried to follow this sound advice in thought as well as action. I very much wish that all banks will wholeheartedly follow and act up to this golden advice.

"Gentlemen, I cannot allow this occasion to pass without referring to the unique event, in the words of our Prime Minister 'one of the most notable in contemporary Indian history', which took place recently when the United State of Kathiawar, now known as Saurashtra, was inaugurated. We have five Branches in Saurashtra. Our Founders have hailed from Saurashtra and our Bank is well-known and popular there. It is therefore natural that, in the present changed circumstances when Saurashtra will soon be making a bid for all-round progress, it may become our duty to serve other important centres in Saurashtra also. You will be glad to know that we are opening a Branch at Porbandar next week.

"As regards the nationalisation of commercial banks, the fear has been set at rest for the present by the Finance Minister's declaration in this connection. I am sorry, however, that it has been decided to nationalise the Reserve Bank of India and the Imperial Bank of India; for, as Government Departments, I doubt if they will be able to continue their present standard of efficiency, promptness in the disposal of business, and keenness to be of help and guidance to the banks.

BANKERS' ADDITIONAL RESPONSIBILITY

"The great change that has happily come over this country on August 15 last has thrown additional responsibility upon bankers. Although the inflationary conditions created by the war and the period of continued upward trend of prices has virtually come to an end, yet looking ahead I feel that there is no cause for pessimism for Indian banking. Once the unfortunate situation created by the division of the country and the unprecedented disturbances settles down, the task of reconstruction and all-round growth and expansion will begin in right earnest to make our country self-sufficient and strong, and bankers along with the public and those in authority will be expected to play their proper role. I think, however, that to be more useful and serviceable, the energies of the bankers will have to be directed first towards consolidation of what has been already achieved; caution will have to be their watchword, conservation the key-note of their administration, and efficiency and integrity the basis of their banking practice. It is only thus that we will be able to strengthen and solidify our country's banking structure and, built upon such firm foundations, it will grow to its full stature, strong and lofty, for the service of our motherland."

The Chairman then supplemented the information contained in the Balance Sheet and the Profit and Loss Account in certain particulars, and the Report and Accounts were duly passed and the dividend as proposed was declared. After re-electing the Directors retiring by rotation and the Auditors, the Meeting terminated.

FATE OF NON-OFFICIAL RESOLUTIONS IN BOMBAY COUNCIL

BOMBAY, Friday.

In the Bombay Legislative Council to-day, the business started with the introduction of a non-official Bill by Mr. M. G. Gopi, to provide for the law applicable to the Hindu inhabitants of North Kanara District in the Province of Bombay.

After the bill was introduced, Mr. Gopi moved a resolution recommending to the Government to take speedy steps for making the Jog Falls energy available to Kanara "in the first instance".

After an explanation about Government's views on this matter, by Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for public works, the resolution was withdrawn.

Another resolution by Mr. N. S. Desai, for relaxing regulations with regard to the entertainment of not more than 24 persons, was opposed by Mr. Dinkerrao Desai, Civil Supplies Minister. The resolution wanted District Magistrates to be instructed to give permits to about a hundred or even a thousand persons. Mr. K. A. Gaffur, supported the resolution and Mr. A. L. H. H Khan, opposed it and suggested its withdrawal.

Mr. Dinkerrao Desai, opposed the resolution, on the ground that the few rich men who might benefit by the withdrawal of rationing restrictions, would do so at the cost of thousands of poor persons.

The motion was withdrawn.

Mr. N. S Desai then moved a resolution asking for Government subsidy in the matter of the rearing of silk cocoons, as the cost of mulberry plants was high and the industry could not flourish without Government support.

Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister, in reply gave an assurance that the Government had under consideration, a scheme for the expansion of this industry. The resolution was withdrawn.

Mr. M. G. Gopi, moved a batch of three other resolutions requesting Government (1) for the inclusion of certain roads in Karwar District, in their five-year plan, (2) to construct bridges on all the rivers that come across the main important roads in Kanara and (3) to contribute the requisite amount to the District Local Board, Kanara, for constructing two causeways. The resolutions were subsequently withdrawn, on an assurance by Government that the issues referred to, were receiving Government's attention.

Mrs. Violet Alva presided.

Kher To Open Kora Gramodyog Centre

(From Our Correspondent.)

VILE PARLE, Friday.

Chimpoli, a village about 20 minutes run from Borivali west, will have front rank leaders to visit them on the occasion of the 2nd annual meeting of the Bombay Suburban Dist. Village Industries Association when Mr. Balasaheb Kher, the Premier of Bombay, Mr. N. V. Gadgil, the Minister for Mines etc. Central Government, Mr. V. L. Mehta, Finance Minister, Bombay, Mr. Annasaheb Sahastrabuddhe, Mr. Appasaheb Savardhan, Smti Premaben Kantak and many prominent Congress workers of the Maharastra Province are attending the function on Tuesday the 9th inst. at 4 p.m. A full day programme is arranged by the workers of the suburban Dist.

Chimpoli is already the centre of the Village Industries Association activities in leather craft, oil pressing weaving etc. These activities are going to get a greater filip when the centre will be declared as Kora Gramodyog Kendra to perpetuate the memory of late Chhotubhai Kora.

The occasion will also be availed of to enlarge the activities of the Association by starting the children's welfare work and in village sanitation in the name of Bala Wadi from the Kasturba Memorial Fund. The gathering is expected to review the activities of the Association and consider the scope of enlarging it and strengthening it.

AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND, March 5 (Reuter): Twelve New Zealand policemen left to-day by air to reinforce the police at Rarotonga, largest of the Cook Islands in anticipation of labour trouble when a 5,158-ton steamer arrived there with food.

Men of an unrecognised workers body have been picketing wharves there to prevent non-members working.

B.P.T. EMPLOYEES DISAPPOINTED

Appeal To Management To Keep Their Assurances

Disappointment at the failure of the Bombay Port Trust management to keep the assurances regarding a loan of Rs. 50 and early formation of joint committees given by Mr. S. C. Joshi, Chief Labour Commissioner, in person, was expressed at a meeting of the B.P.T. Employees' Union held under the presidentship of Mr. Ashoka Mehta today.

The meeting appealed to Mr. S. C. Joshi and the Bombay Port Trust to act instantaneously, keep the assurances and bring about the solution of the demands of the workers, which were kept pending for last 9 months.

MAULANA TAYABULLA FOR ASSAM CABINET

SHILLONG, March 5 (API): Maulana Muhammad Tayabulla was sworn in to-day as a Minister of Assam, bringing the strength of the Assam Cabinet to eight. Portfolios have been redistributed and Maulana Tayabulla has been allotted excise and jail departments.

The Maulana, who is the President of the Provincial Congress Committee, was recently elected to the Assam Legislative Assembly.

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Argentine-Chile Pact

Agreement For Legal Protection And Defence Of Rights

BUENOS AIRES, March 5 (Reuter): Backing their claims to large areas of British Antarctica, Argentina and Chile last night signed a pact of "legal protection and defence of their rights" in what was described as "the South American Antarctic."

The agreement stated it was intended to "consolidate definitely those rights.

The pact was announced by Dr. Juan Bramuglia, Argentine Foreign Minister, as the 8,000 ton British cruiser Nigeria and the sloop snipe were taking Mr. Miles Clifford, the Falklands Islands' Governor, on a tour of British Antarctic settlements.

Dr. Bramuglia defined the area of the "South American Antarctic" as lying between 25 and 90 degrees west.

Argentina and Chile, he said, recognized each others "unquestionable Sovereign rights" in this territory and would act together in legal protection and defence of these rights.

They would also continue their activities in the region of the as yet undefined frontier between the Argentine and Chilean sectors in a spirit of mutual co-operation and would continue negotiations for a treaty defining the Anarctic frontier between them.

Asked if any "military implication" was involved in "legal protection and defence", Dr. Bramuglia said: "All rights which arise out of sovereignty will be exercised."

Twentyfour hours before this pact was announced, Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, had told the House of Commons that the Brifirst international incident involving of British occupied posts had standing instructions to take all necessary measures to safeguard the British legal title in the Falkland dependencies, where the two republics have staked claims.

Dr. Bramuglia further said that the Antarctic question would be introduced at the Inter-American Conference opening at Bobotia at the end of this month.

As H. M. S. Nigeria zigzagged through icebergs and "growlers", Mr. Miles Clifford, Governor of Falkland Islands, received details of the first inter national incident involving foreign ships in Antarctic waters, according to Reuter's special correspondent in the cruiser, Frederick Jones.

An officer from the Argentine minesweeper Parker, it was disclosed, had boarded the Norwegian fishing vessel Brategg and told the Captain he had no right to be sailing in Antarctic waters without Argentine permission.

The officer made an entry to this effect in the Breteggo's log, but it was later deleted by the British Harbour Master at Whalers Bay, Deception Island.

Reshuffled Iraqi Cabinet

BAGHDAD, March 4, (Reuter): The Iraq Cabinet reshuffled by Premier Syied Mohammed Alsadr was confirmed by a Royal decree today.

The new appointments are:—

Minister of the Interior Nasrat Al-Farisi, (formerly minister without portfolio), Minister without portfolio Jamil Madfai (formerly Minister of the Interior), Minister of Justice Najib Al-Rawi (formerly Minister of Social Affairs), Minister for Social Affairs Daoud Al-Haidari (formerly Minister without portfolio), the former Minister of Justice Umar Nadmi, resigned.

Mohammed Alsadr's former Government was chosen on January 29 to replace that of Saleh Jabr which resigned riots over the Anglo-Iraq treaty.

Portugal's Next Move In India

LISBON, March 5 (I.P.A.)—A spokesman of the Colonial Ministry here said that the proposed New Constitution for Portuguese India was received back with the Governor-General's own views on this matter and on Indian situation in general. It will be remembered, in this connection, that the Assembly of 62 Government invitees from Portuguese India called to give their opinion on the constitution could not come to any decision because the proposal was considered "bogus".

Asked about the next move of the Lisbon Government regarding the constitutional deadlock in Portuguese India, the spokesman said that now any move would have to wait until the coming exchange of Diplomatic missions between New Delhi and Lisbon. The Foreign Ministry circles here hinted at the possibility of the present Portuguese Consul-General in Bombay, Dr. Joao de Lucena, being sent to New Delhi as the Portuguese Ambassador.

Strikers Dynamite Official's House

CYRENAICA (Cyprus), March 4 (Reuter).—Nicosia, capital of Cyprus, was rocked today when striking miners dynamited the house of the island's leading transporter for allegedly carrying blacklegs

The blast came a few hours after the house of an official of the American-owned Navrovouni copper mines, where the men are on strike has been wrecked by a military type bomb.

Both the official and the transporter escaped injuries.

The strikers have been holding out since January 13 for wage increases and a 40-hour week underground.

LAKE SUCCESS March 4, (Reuter): The World Federation of Trade Unions today called on the United Nations to take action against Greece to halt arrests and prevent the "threatening executions of 800 Greek democrats."

Give Unstinted Support To Govt.

RATNAGIRI, March 4, (A.P.I.): Mr. Shankarrao Deo, General Secretary of the Indian National Congress, who is on a week's tour of Maharastra arrived here today.

In a speech made here he appealed to the people for sympathy and unstinted loyalty to the new Government.

"We are going through a revolution", he said "and we have yet to build up a Secular Democratic State enjoying the loyalty of classes and creeds. We must therefore, change our traditional attitude of hostility to Government and regard it as our own."

Mr. Deo left for Mahad this afternoon. He will return to Bombay on March 6 after visiting chiplun and Pen.

No Passport Needed To Visit Pakistan

KARACHI, March 4 (A.P.I.)—A Press Note of Pakistan Ministry of Foreign affairs stated:—

"The attention of the Government of Pakistan has been drawn to a press report that passports will be necessary after the March 31, 1948, for Indians to visit Pakistan and 'vice versa'. The report is unauthorised and incorrect. Under notifications issued by the Government of India on August 8 1947, and by the Government of Pakistan on 24th September 1947, complete exemption is granted to persons domiciled in Pakistan who wish to visit India, and persons domiciled in India who wish to visit Pakistan, from taking out passports, and these notifications were not limited to any period. They will continue in force unless repealed; and the Government of Pakistan are unaware of any proposal to repeal them."

INDO-PAKISTAN TRADE RELATIONS

NEW DELHI, March 5 (IPA): The question of appointing a Trade Commissioner attached to the office of the High Commissioner for India in Pakistan is engaging the attention of the Government of India, it is learnt.

This appointment would facilitate to protect the interests of the Indian businessmen in Pakistan and promote trade relations between the two countries.

Since Pakistan has been declared a foreign territory, a Trade Commissioner in Pakistan would be able to attend to various complaints lodged by Indian businessmen regarding customs barriers and early payments.

The name of an ICS man is mentioned for the post.

78 Detenus Released In Jubbulpore

JUBBULPORE, March 4 (API.)—Mr. Ramdas Agrawala, alias Lalloo, founder of the now banned Chahtrapati Shivaji Dal, Katni, who was arrested on February 19, and detained under the Public Safety Act, was released last evening.

Seventy eight other detenus, arrested for their alleged connection with the Rashtriya Swayam Sevak Sangh and other unlawful organisations, were also released today.

LANDLORD ARRESTED

Alleged To Have Received 'Pugree'

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mahadavprasad Shivprasad Misra a Bombay landlord was arrested by the Bombay Police on a charge of receiving a 'pugree' of Rs. 800 from a prospective tenant.

It is alleged that the accused received the 'pugree' in respect of a room, the rent of which was fixed at Rs. 25 'per mensem', in one of his new buildings at Santa Cruz which is still under construction.

He was allowed bail by Mr. K. J. Khambatta, Presidency Magistrate, Esplanade Police Court, today.

HAWKER STABBED TO DEATH

A hawker in fruits was done to death in his room, it is alleged, by four men.

A pack of miscreants,—'chokra boys—it is alleged, unwarrantedly pounced upon Choudhary, the hawker on his way back home, when he refused to give them grapes, and assaulted him with 'fists and kicks'.

In his room at Hanuman Lane, Dadar, he had just finished narrating the story of his assault to his room mates and gone to sleep, when Pusalkar and three others entered the room and despite the efforts of those present in the room made, to check them, they are alleged to have dragged the sleeping hawker out, stabbed him to death, and made good their escape.

Dadar Police are busy searching for the culprits.

400 PERSONS RENDERED HOMELESS

Several persons who were only last month sheltered easily in a Goan Club, in Matharpakadi, Mazagon, are this week sleeping in the compound of the building from which they have been ousted

The building from which these homeless men are evicted is a one storeyed edifice and on both its floors were housed two Christian clubs.

The club on the first floor is not affected, whereas the one on the ground floor it is said was asked to quit the premises as the landlord wanted the place.

The four hundred occupants of the club who could not find alternate accommodation are said to have pleaded their inability to vacate.

Proceedings were then taken against them and they were given three months' time by the Court to leave the place which expired at the end of February.

Truman's "Profligate Waste"

Brings U. S. Near Economic Disaster, Says Dewey

ALBANY, New York, March 4, (U.P.A.): Governor Thomas E. Dewey charged today that President Truman's "Profligate waste" of public funds has brought the nation near to economic disaster.

In a messages to Wisconsin Republicans supporting his candidacy for the Republican presidential nomination, Dewey said Truman's "weak, incompetent" handling of both foreign and domestic affaihs has failed."

Dewey's attack was in response to a telegram from potential Wisconsin Republican National Convention delegates informing him his name now is officially entered in the state's April sixth primary.

Dewey, who carried Wisconsin the last presidential election against the late Franklin Roosevelt, said the telegram was "heart warning."

FOR AND AGAINST MARSHALL PLAN

WASHINGTON, March 4, (Reuter): In the course of a sweeping denunciation of the Marshall Plan, Senator George W. Malone (Republican, Nevada) today charged Britain and other European countries with manipulating their currencies for commercial advantage.

Senator Malone said England's official value for the pound was four dollars and three cents but in New York city "you can buy the pound for two dollars and 25 cents".

He added this meant "that if you buy any products from England, you are paying nearly twice what the product is worth". He also referred to Britain's trade treaty with Russia, which includes fabricated steel products, while the "Marshall Plan includes raw steel for England".

Senator H. Alexander Smith (Republican, New Jersey) supported the Marshall Plan, and in reply to a question, said that the administration of the plan might have to ask England, if she agreed to participate in the plan, to abrogate her trade agreement with Russia in regard to the supply of steel products.

LONDON-SHANGHAI TELEPHONE LINK

Longest In The World

LONDON, March 4, (Reuter): Shanghai and London were officially linked by radio telephone for the first time today when Dr. K. Wu, Mayor of Shanghai, spoke to Sir Frank Newson-Smith former Lord Mayor of London and President of the London Chamber of Commerce.

Except for atmospheric disturbances at the begining, every word of the two-day conversation came through distinctly.

Keynote of the inaugural talk was the hope that the telephone service would help the development of trade between Britain and China.

The new telephone link is one of the longest in the world. Tests were made with a view to starting it before the war but it could not be completed in time. Now it will operate between 9-30 a. m. and 11-30 a.m. G.M.T. daily at a minimum cost of £ 3 for three minutes.

Radioactive U.S. Battleship Scuttled

WASHINGTON, March 4, (Reuter): The 33,000 tons United States battleship "Pennsylvania" still highly radioactive 20 months afterd it was used as a "Guinea Pig" in the Bikini action bomb test, was scuttled near Kwayjelein island in the Pacific on February 19, the Navy Department announced today.

Two other warships, also said to be suffering from "progressive deterioration" the destroyer 'Trippe' and the attack transport 'Banner', were also sunk last month.

Life Sentence On Two Ex-Hungarian Officials

BUDAPEST, March 4, (Reuter): Julius Kelemen, Hungarian Social Democrat Leader and former Under-Secretary for Industry, was today sentenced to life imprisonment by a Peoples Court for high treason.

Secret plans of a chemical factory under the control of the Ministry of Industry were stated in court to have been sold to Argentina while Keleman was under-Secretary to the Ministry.

The General Manager of the factory was sentenced to death and Joseph Sarkany former Under-Secretary for Defence who was also responsible for control of the factory was sentenced to life imprisonment

Medical Defence Against Atomic Attack

DENVER (COLORADO), March, 5 (UPA): Dr. P. Sears, director of the Fort Logan, Colorado Veterans' Administrasion Hospital, said today that United States doctors have only three years in which to prepare a medical defence against an atomic bomb attack.

He said that the responsibility for training in atomic physics rests on "medical men ."

He warned physicians, hospitals and medical supply groups to "allot sufficient time away from the routine science of medicine to prepare for an atomic war that may come."

TOTAL PROHIBITION OF OPIUM IN INDIA

CUTTACK, March 4 (API).—Mr. Harikrishna Mahtab, Premier of Orissa, revealed today in the Orissa Legislative Assembly, replying to the general discussion of the Budget, that the Government of India proposed to introduce total prohibition of opium in the whole of India. Orissa's revenue from opium is about 60 per cent of the Province's total excise revenue of about one crore.

The Premier also revealed that the Province proposes to have an independent Public Service Commission instead of having a joint one with Bihar and C.P.

RUSSIA PROTESTS TO U.S.

Alleged Violations Of Freedom Of Merchant Shipping

LONDON, March 4, (U.P.A.): Moscow radio reported today that Russia has delivered a second protest to the United States against alleged United States "violations of freedom of merchant shipping in the Far East."

United States aircraft were accused of again "examining Soviet merchant vessels in thez Yellow Sea and the sea of Japan circling over ships, passing them at low level, and diving down at them." The broadcast said the Soviet Government insisted on immediate measures to stop these violations.

It was reported that the United States "according to information at hand" had not replied to the first note which it said Foreign Minister V. M. Molotov sent to the United Embassy in Moscow on January 30

It added "in the mean time, the Soviet Government has heard about fresh violations of the freedom of merchant shipping in the Far East. In view of this, the foreign ministry has sent the United States Embassy a note again calling attention of the United States Government to the matter and insisting on immediate measures to stop these violations."

BANGALORE, March 5, (API): Mr T. Siddalingaiya, President of the Mysore State Congress has received instruction from the Congress President, Dr. Rajendra Prasad to convene a meeting of representative Mysoreans to devise ways and means for collection, subscriptions towards the Mahatma Gandhi National Memorial Fund.

The meeting will be held on March 26 in Bangalore.

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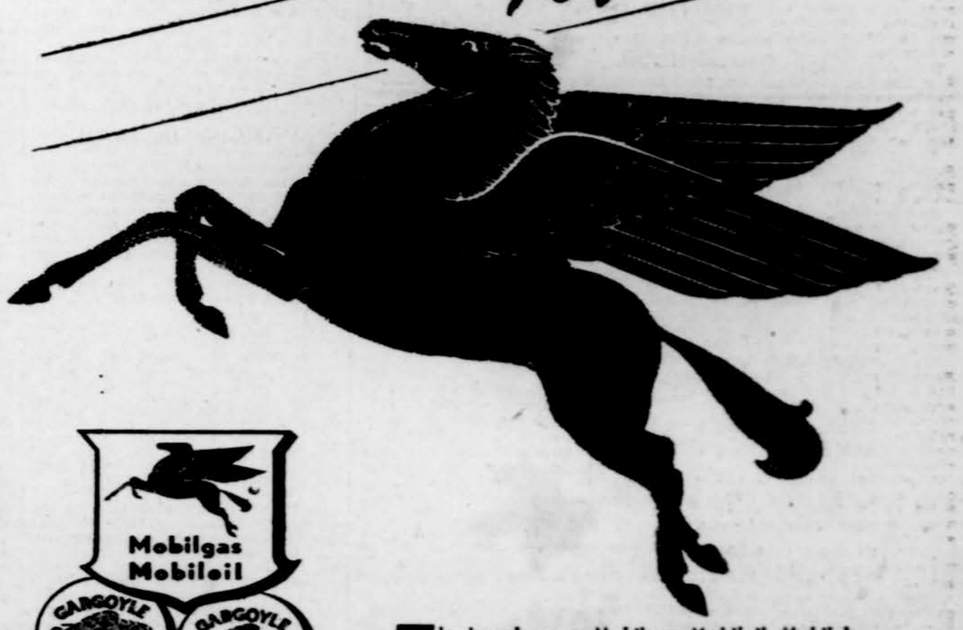

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BOMBAY CORPORATION & B.E.S.T. COMMITTEE

Ashok Mehta Asks Latter To Resign "En Bloc"

Shri Asoka Mehta has issued the following statement:—

On the 8th instant the Municipal Corporation is to elect two members on the B. E. S. T. committee. When the composition of the Corporation has changed completely it is unwise for the present body to fill a fourth of the seats of so important a committee. It is desirable to set up a convention whereby the B. E. S. T. committee resigns en bloc when the newly elected Corporation meets—and thus give an opportunity to the new house, and through that to the voters who have shaped it, to reconstitute the committee entrusted with the difficult work of traffic transport. To oppose such a convention is to deny the voter's sovereign rights in the Corporation.

On behalf of the Socialist Party we have nominated Mr. G. G. Mehta, General Secretary of the B. E. S. T. Worker's Union, in the belief that the B. E. E. S. T. Committee can function efficiently only when it has on it accredited representative of the workers.

The Congress party has so far refused to give any representation to labour on the B. E. S. T. Committee. It is said that on this occasion the Congress Party is supporting the candidature of Mirza Akhtar Hasan. The workers have no confidence in him and his record as a Trustee of the Bombay Port Trust does not arouse confidence. The workers of Bombay will judge the parties in the Corporation by the way they vote for the B. E. S. T. Committee.

Members of the Asian Research and Study Group, Bombay, met Dr. Arthur Upham Pope, the Chancellor of the Asia Institute of America, on Sunday last, and discussed with him plans for launching the Society of Asian Affairs in Bombay. Dr. Pope was appraised by the sponsors of the support received for the scheme from eminent Indians including Premier Shri B. G. Kher.

Dr. Pope in his address welcomed the scheme of the proposed Society of Asian Affairs and promised every support and co-operation of the members of the Asia Institute of America and other eminent scholars in Asia and other parts of the world who are actively connected with the Institute. He further offered every co-operation in the production of the new magazine "United Asia" which will be shortly published by the Inter-Asian Publishing House. He gladly accepted the invitation of the Group to join the Editorial Board of "United Asia". He stressed the need for a journal devoted entirely to Asian Affair reflecting the aspirations and the trends of the renaissant Asia. He was confident that the magazine will be warmly welcomed by the people in all Asian countries. He said that it was possible to publish an American edition of "United Asia" under auspices of the Institute.

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REQUISITION ACT CHALLENGED

(Before the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Coyajee).

Khushaldas S. Advani .... Petitioner
Versus.
P. V. Rao, Assistant Secretary to Government of Bombay
..... Respondent.

His Lordship on Thursday accepted a petition and granted a Rule against the respondent to show cause why writs of certiorari and prohibition as well as an order under section 45 of the Specific Relief Act should not be granted against him. The petitioner and two others were refugees from Karachi. In exchange for a property at Karachi, they had under a Deed of Assignment dated 29th January 1948, obtained the right of occupation of the first floor of a building known as "Paradise" at Warden Road and were actually in use and occupation of these premises. On 2nd March 1948 the petitioner was served with an order issued by the respondent under section 3 of the Bombay Land Requisition Ordinance 1947 requisitioning the said flat for a public purpose. On the same day he was also served with another order under section 9 of the Ordinance authorizing a certain Inspector to take possession of the premises. The respondent also wrote a letter to the landlord informing him that the flat in question had been allotted to one Mrs. Dayaram.

The petitioner contended that the power of requisition arrogated to itself by the Government of Bombay under those sections of the Ordinance was ultra vires and illegal. The petitioner submitted that in so far as the Ordinance purported to confer on the Provincial Government powers to make orders with respect to immovable property was itself ultra vires inasmuch as such powers could only be exercised by the Central Legislature, in any event upto 31st March 1948. On behalf of the petitioner it was further submitted that since the Provincial Government had purported to allot the flat to an individual, they had not requisitioned it for a public purpose within section 3 of the Ordinance. The petitioner therefore applied for a writ of certiorari to quash the requisition orders and for a writ of prohibition as well as an order under section 45 of the Specific Relief Act preventing the respondent from enforcing the Orders.

His Lordship issued a Rule and fixed it for argument on 6th April 1948. His Lordship also granted interim relief restraining the respondent from enforcing the Orders till the disposal of this petition, and directed that the petition be served on the Dominion of India and the Government of Bombay.

Mr. N. A. Palkhivala instructed by Messrs. Gagrat and Co., appeared for the petitioner.

PRESS REPORTERS' WELCOME TO CHIEF JUSTICE

Press reporters of the High Court welcomed Mr. Justice Chagla as the first Indian permanent Chief Justice of Bombay at a reception in his honour at the Governor's Pavilion of the Cricket Club of India Ld. on Thursday evening.

Welcoming the Chief Justice, Mr. A. J. Poonawalla stated that it was most gratifying that Mr. Justice Chagla who always had the independence of India at heart should have taken up the reins of office as Chief Justice on the very day on which India attained independence. The Chief Justice was then garlanded by Mr. J. R. Vimadalal.

Agreeing with Mr. Poonawalla in his remark that the Press was the only link between the law courts and the public, the Chief Justice observed that in that sense it was only with the help of the Press that the High Court could function. The Chief Justice stated that it was possible for the press to publish only sensational cases which would cater to the passions of the public. From reports he had read in the press he could say that the press reporters of the High Court had not followed that course but had discharged their duties in a fine and noble manner.

The gathering which included among the guests, the editors of the leading local newspapers, then dispersed.

WARLIS IN JAIL

The District Magistrate, Thana, has issued the following statement:- My attention has been drawn to a Press report of a speech made by Mrs. Godavaribai Parulekar at a Conference of Halis held in Surat on the 10th January 1948 in the course of which she declared that there were 300 Warlis in Jail and about 900 more who were being prosecuted.

The figures in question are a gross exaggeration. The total number of Warlis detained under the Public Security Measures' Act during the course of the agrarian agitation in Thana district was 294. The number of detenus on 10th January, as a result of the policy of releases, was 132. On the same day the release of a further batch of 47 detenus was ordered. The number of Warli detenus at present in Jail is only 12.

Only 54 Warlis were still in jail as undertrials on the date of the speech and not 900 as alleged by Mrs. Parulekar.

ECHO OF TRAIN LOOTING

(From Our Correspondent.)
KALYAN, March 5.

The Railway Senior Police Sub-Inspector with police party raided a village Kamalpada near Kalyan on the 2nd night and arrested 14 persons suspected to be taken part in looting a parcel train between Thakurli and Kalyan.

It will be recalled that in the broad daylight on the 29th last the Parcel Train which left Bombay stopped at between Thakurli and Kalyan for signal awaiting for line clear. About 20 to 25 persons came from a nearby village, attacked the train and decamped with about 20 to 30 valuable parcels. The guard of the train was injured.

Bombay Government's War Against Communalism & Private Retaliation

Strong Measures Curb Dangerous Situation: Dangers Ahead

BY A SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT

It was inevitable that an explosive situation should have been created by the shock of the tragedy at Birla House, Delhi, in our province as well as throughout the country. But the situation has been mastered thanks to the prompt and energetic action taken by Bombay's Premier and Home Minister.

TIMELY ACTION

It is true reports still continue to pour in of popular excitement and acts of violence against person and property particularly in some of the districts and States, It is also true that in some places, particularly in the Deccan States considerable havoc has been caused and arson and loot have levied their toll of losses running perhaps into crores. But the overall picture is not so bad and discouraging as one might have expected. However, the danger we have to face presents certain aspects of a sunister character and the public mu't be warned against it in good time.

Bombay's Premier Balasahib Kher and Home Minister Morarji Desai were the first to realize the danger that threatened to mar the solemnity of the tragedy that the nation was mourning. The police throughout the province rose to the occasion and carried out their orders with an efficiency and high sense of duty which should furnish the most eloquent testimony to the slow but definite change that has been brought about. The police, like the military, represent the forces of stability, discipline and patriotic duty and are functioning as they should function in a democratic country—an instrument of internal security, law and order based on the values of democratic existence.

POWER & HATE POLITICS

But the danger that we have to face is not restricted to police control and action which have their limitations. From the reports received from certain districts, it appears that the popular fury that broke out in a wave of private retaliation is being diverted and channelized through class conflict and class hatred. Certain political elements appear to be exploiting the situation by pressing the forces of violence and lawlessness in the service of their doctrine of hatred against certain classes. In the Maratha country, particularly, attempts are clearly being made to revive the defunct non-Brahmin movement and lauunch a crusade against certain classes of property.

All doctrines based on hate and intolerance are doomed to frustration and defeat sooner than later: and this has happened to the so-called non-Brahmin movement when the British rulers in this country used it for their political purposes. As the history of the movement shows, it was initially a revolt of the victims of theocratic hegemony of the Brahmanical classes. Paradoxically enough, many of the collaborators of Jyotiba Fulay, founder of the Satyashodhak Samaj, were Brahmins themselves. Eventually, the movement deteriorated into a Brahmin-baiting crusade and slowly died out of existence when self-seekers tried to exploit it. The Congress nationalism captured the mass mind, imagination and loyalty with its brilliant record of service and sacrifice.

NATIONAL NEEDS

Today, an attempt is being made to revive this movement by a group of power politicians in Satara and other districts. Side by side, the enemies of the Congress are also trying to mislead the masses and foment the doctrine of class war directed against the 'predatory classes' of Brahmins. Both these elements and tendencies are trying to direct and divert the mass anger against not merely the Hindusabhites but the minority class of Brahmins too. The danger of this situation is obvious enough and must be met not merely with strong action by the Government but also with the really effective action by men and women of goodwill who must first restore respect for the human person, democratic freedom, amity between class and class and the tradition of tolerance without which no progressive social or national existence is possible.

The tragic death of Mahatmaji has throughout the country released the mass emotion of a mixed pattern. But, as happens in times of national disaster, an atmosphere is created that is highly favourable to re-establishment of the values of national solidarity and action based on the ideals for which Mahatmaji lived and died so heroically. The national leaders have already given the call for action that alone can help the nation to hold together and work in a constructive effort in realizing the dream of a strong, happy and progressive India Mahatmaji cherished till his last breath. Peace and freedom from any internecine conflict are the essential conditions of such constructive effort and the Bombay Government has given a welcome lead by dealing with firmness and justice with acts that constitute a challenge to the existence of society.

PEOPLE'S DUTY PEACEFUL AND PROGRESSIVE

The Government has acted for, and with the support of, the people it represents. But the Government action is not enough. It is the people and popular as well as press opinion that must actively combat all tendencies of disruption and incitement to violence and acts of destruction of property. Both Balasaheb Kher and Morarji Desai have given the necessary lead and done all that is necessary in the present nation wide crisis: and it is the duty of the people to rise to the occasion and work individually and collectively to check the tendencies that are bound to prove harmful and make the Government's tasks difficult. It is everybody's duty today to fight the poison of mutual distrust, fear and hate and restore establishment of conditions of peace and harmony amongst all classes and political parties and groups in the province.

WEST INDIES COME OUT ON TOP

England Lost 9 For 110 In Third Test

..GEORGETOWN, BRITISH GUIANA, March. 4 (Reuter): On a firm pitch which was not treacherous but was responsive to spin, following more rain which prevented play before lunch, the West Indies lost three wickets for the addition of only thirteen runs in twentyseven minutes on the second day of the third test match against England here today.

They declared their first innings closed at 297 for eight, in the hope that England's wickets would also fall quickly.

The West Indies policy certainly paid dividends. England put on 59 runs before the opening stand was broken, but then nine wickets fell for an addition of only 51 runs, and at close of play they were 110 for nine, being 187 runs behind with only one more first innings wicket to fall.

In twenty deliveries after tea, Goddard, the Indies Captain, put his side completely on top by taking the wickets of Hutton, Robertson and Place at a cost of only six runs.

England were then engaged in a desperate struggle for runs, and none of the batsmen was happy except Cranston, who hit four fours in his 24 before being stumped in attempting a big hit.

Another batsman to reach double figures was Laker, who was caught when hitting out at Ferguson.

Allen did not consider himself fit to bat today, but on him and Howorth rests the responsibility of saving the follow on tomorrow, when 38 more runs are wanted.

Frank Worrell who continued his brilliant innings of yesterday, batted three and half hours for his 131 not out, and hit fifteen fours

WEST INDIES—(1st innings)

G. Carew b Cranston	77
J. Goddard b Allen	1
C. L. Walcott lbw b Cranston	11
R. Christiani c Hardstaff b Tremlett	51
F. Worrell not out	131
G. Gomez c Evans b Cranston	36
E. Weekes b Cranston	36
E. A. V. Williams b Laker	7
W. Ferguson c Allen b Laker	2
Extras	5
Total (for eight wickets declared)	297

Bowling Analysis:—Allen 3/0/5/1, Tremlett 14/4/35/1, Cranston 25/5/78/4, Laker 36/10/94/2, Howorth 23/4/58/0, Ikin 5/2/22/9

ENGLAND—(1st innings)

L. Hutton c Williams b Goddard	31
J. D. Robertsan c Ferguson b Goddard	23
W. Place c Christiani b Goddard	1
J. Hardstaff b Ferguson	3
J. T. Ikin c Ferguson b Goddard	7
K. Cranston st. Walcott b Ferguson	24
R. Howorth not out	3
J. C. Laker c Walcott b Ferguson	10
T. G. Evans b Trim	1
M. P. Tremlett c Christiana b Trim	0
Extras	7
Total (for nine wickets)	110

Bowling Analysis:—Trim 10/6/6/2, Pierre 2/0/9/0, Williams 5/0/20/0, Goddard 14/5/31/4, Worrell 2/0/5/0, Ferguson 15/5/23/3, Gomez 1/0/9/0.

C.K. Nayudu's Team To Tour Ceylon

COLOMBO, March 4, (A.P.I.): Colonel C. K. Nayudu cricket team including Mushtaq Ali and Sarwate will arrive here on April 9 for a fortnight tour of the island. The programme for their visit includes one two-day and two three-day matches against the Ceylon Cricket Association and one match against the schools. In addition the team is expected to play two one-day fixtures in Kandy and Galle respectively if time permitted. According to present schedule the team will leave the island on April 24.

Boxers Operated On For Blood Clots In Brain

PHILADELPHIA (Reuter): Two boxers were recently operated on here for removal of blood clots from the brain. One of the operations was performed on Ed Franklin, a local heavyweight, who collapsed at the finish of his 10-round bout with Bill (Chicken) Thompson. The other was on Leroy Johnson, an 18-year-old local lightweight who collapsed in a ring while practicing for a coming bout here.

Both boxers are now in fair condition.

WEST JAVA STATE

President Refuses To Take Office Till Status Is Ascertained

BATAVIA, March 5. (Reuter): Raden Wiranatakusuma, newly elected head of the West Java State, will not enter office until he had ascertained the exact status of "Pasundan"—the name chosen for the territory to-day—Antara, the Indonesian Republican News Agency reported.

The Agency quoted him as saying that he opposed the secession of West Java from the Republic.

Mr. L. Neher, former Dutch Housing and Reconstruction Minister, and Jonkheer H. K. Van Vredenburh, Deputy Chairman of the Dutch negotiating delegation in Indonesia, were to-day appointed "delegates of the Supreme Government" with full ministerial rank to assist the Lt.-Governor-General of the Netherlands East Indies, Dr. Hubertus Van Mook.

They will help in matters of general administration affecting the interests of the Netherlands realm.

This alters the Dutch Government's original intention of appointing them to the "collegiate body" which was to share the task and responsibility of Dr. Van Mook.

It was considered necessary to avoid giving the impression that the body would make the work of the proposed Interim Federal Government for Indonesia less important or that the body would have a say in internal administration.

Dr. Hubertus Van Mook, and the Premier of the Indonesian Republic, Dr. Mohamed Hatta, will probably meet here next week to discuss Republican participation in the proposed Interim Federal Government for Indonesia, it was reliably learned today.

The meeting is expected to follow an exchange of views between the two leaders through Dr. Hatta's special envoy, Dr. Darmasitiawan, who yesterday flew to Jogjakarta, the Republican capital, after seeing Dr. Van Mook.

He was understood to have taken the suggestion that Dr. Hatta should come to Batavia.

Indonesian sources said the Republican delegation to the Batavia talks with the Dutch, sponsored by the United Nations "Good Offices" Committee were summoned to Jogjakarta by Dr. Hatta to-day.

INTERIM GOVT. FOR JODHPUR

Prajamandal Leader To Be Prime Minister

JODHPUR, March 3.

The Maharaja of Jodhpur in a proclamation published in an extraordinary issue of Jodhpur Government Gazette has announced the formation of a Coalition Ministry representing all interests. This Ministry will function as Interim Government till a new Council of Ministers is formed from among the members of the new constitution making body and Legislature to be set up on the basis of joint electorates and adult franchise as announced in an earlier proclamation last month.

The new Ministry took its oath of office at Umaid Bhawan Palace this morning. Shri Jainarain Vyas has been appointed Pradhan Mantri.

This Council will work on the basis of collective responsibility under the Government of Jodhpur Act of 1947. The Dewan will be the President of the Council of Ministers.

With regard to portfolios, the Dewan and the Pradhan Mantri share equally.

India-Britain Davis Cup Tie

LONDON, March 4, (Reuter): The Davis Cup first round match between Great Britain and India will be played on hard courts at Harrogate, Yorkshire, on April 22, 23, and 24.

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(From Our Correspondent.)
RAJKOT, March 3.

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To-day's Engagements

Y.M.C.A. WODEHOUSE ROAD: Lecture by Mr. Navin Kumar Dalal, on "Education in Post-War Germany", at the Y.M.C.A. Hall at 6-30 p.m. Mr. Joachim Alva will preside.

MARATHA MANDIR REFUGEE CAMP: Due to the completion of the arrangement by the Central Government for the refugees, the Maratta Mandir Refugee Camp at Chawl No. 49, B.D.D. is closed from the 1st March, 1948.

LECTURE ON GALIB: To-day at the Anjuman-i-Islam Urdu Research Institute at 5-30 p.m. (S.T.)

BHARATIYA SANGEET VRINDA: Variety entertainment to-day (Saturday) at 5-30 p.m. at Fellowship High School.

BOMBAY GEOGRAPHICAL ASSOCIATION: Diwan Bahadur H.L. Kaji, J.P., will deliver a lecture on "International Relationship" at Byramjee Jeejeebhoy Institution, Opp. Charni Road Railway Station, Queens Road, to-day at 5 p.m.

EDUCATIONAL FILMS: Free weekly show of educational films will be held at 91 Walkeshwar Road, Bombay 6, to-day at 4 p.m. (S.T.).

ALL-INDIA RADIO BOMBAY: At 9-45 p.m. to-day Mr. J. Krishnamoorty will broadcast a talk entitled "Way of Living".

At 8-45 p.m. to-day All-India Radio, Bombay will broadcast a talk on "St. Thomas of Aquinas and Shankaracharya" in the series "East and West". The talker will be H.O. Mascarenhas.

KANNADA DRAMA: The Kannada play "Kannu-Kattina-bikkattu" will be staged at the R. M. Bhat School Hall, Parel, at 3 p.m. on Sunday next (March 7th) by the members of the Karnatak Friends' Union, Bombay, in aid of the Akhila Karnataka Seva Samiti.

CONFERENCE OF THE G.I.P. RAILWAY TRACTION SUBORDINATES: At the Podar College Hall, Matunga on Saturday, March 6, at 6 p.m., to formulate proper Pay Structures as per recommendations of the Central Pay Commission.

Gujarati Refugees Relief Committee

At a meeting of a large number of Gujarati refugees from Sindh held on Thursday afternoon at the Janmabhoomi office, it was decided to form a Guparati Refugees Relief Committee to organise relief and rehabilitation work for them. The meeting decided to form a refugee relief committee. The executive committee held a meeting soon afterwards to discuss the preliminaries and decided to start a fund for the relief work, members of the committee (who are mostly refugees themselves) contributing Rs. 371 from among themselves to start with.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

BOMBAY, March 6, (Saturday).

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—7-30 a.m. Imtiaz Ahmed (Thumri) 7-40 News (M) 7-50 News (G) 8-0 News (E) 8-10 News (H) 8-30 Azim Khan (Sitar) 8-45 Imtiaz Ahmed (Khaya i Vilumbit aur Drut) 12-0 p.m. A composite programme (M) 12-45 News (M) 12-50 News (G) 12-55 Marathi Gani 1-25 News (H) 1-30 News (E) 1-40 "You Asked for It" 4-20 Manikrao Thakurdas (Sushama) 5-0 Mira Bai Ke Bhajan 5-10 Programme of special interest to Children (G) 5-45 News (K) 6-0 News (E) 6-10 News (H) 6-15 Manikrao Thakurdas (Emani Puria) 6-30 Aodul Halim Jafarkhan (Sitar) 7-0 Topic of Day 7-10 Locals 7-15 Mohammad Rafi (Geet R. C. Shastri) 7-30 Replies to listeners' (G) 7-40 Rabab Par Ek Dhun By Shingul 7-45 Chitra Sangeet ("Pahili Mangalagaur" 8-0 News (M) 8-15 News (G) 8-30 Recitation of his own poems by a Hindi Poet 8-45 Tongues in Fossils: Fossils —What are They? (E) by Prof. J. V. Deshpande 9-0 News (E) 9-15 News (H) 9-30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Ramanlal Mehta (Ramdasi Malhar) 10-20 Thumri 10-30 Abdul Halim Jafar Khan (Sitar).

VARIATIONS.

41.44 m. (7,240 kc/s)—7-40 a.m. Vocal Variety 5-45 to 6-0 p.m. Mohammad Rafi 6-15 Rural Listeners.

61.48 m. (4,880 kc/s)—7-45 p.m. Com. News 8-0 Amritlal Raval (Gujarati Geet Khabardar) 8-15 Abhang Ani Gaulan (Tukaram) 9-0 Ramanlal Mehta (Vilambit-Yaman Kalyan) 9-30 Sham Devre (Bhavgeet V. G. Maydeo).

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By Our Racing Correspondent

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2ND RACE: 1 Atomic 2 Bronzewing.
3RD RACE: 1 Golden Moon, 2 All out.
4TH RACE: 1 Put All, 2 Fantasy.
5TH RACE: 1 Redbay, 2 Eastern Jest.
6TH RACE: 1 Maduri, 2 Phifborough.
7TH RACE: 1 Morton Daisy, 2 Rim on Fair Haven.
8TH RACE: 1 Chin Up, 2 Windsor Park.

CHOICE TREBLE: Golden Moon Redbay and Chin Up.

FLUKES: Miss Rutty and Here Again.

Role Of Tibbia College

BOMBAY, Friday.

"The occurrance of venereal disease in India is far greater than is commonly realised" said Dr. M. H. Zubairy, producer and director of the film, Ignorance is not Bliss," while presenting the film to an audience consisting medical students of the Tibbia College, at Sir Cowasji Jehangir Public Hall, this afternoon.

"Ignorance is not Bliss" is an anti-V. D. film which presents simply and accurately the essential facts about the cause and cure of venereal diseases.

After the presentation of the film, the audience witnessed a programme of theatrical entertainment presided over by Mr. A. P. Sabavalla, Mayor of the city.

Hakim Rashid Ahmed Khan, the Principal of the Tibbia College welcoming Mr. Sabavalla said that the Tibbia College was rendering valuable service to the nation in that it trained Vaids and Hakims in indigenous systems of medicine which were more efficacious than foreign nostrums.

CHARITY DRAMA IN AID OF REFUGEE STUDENTS: Mr. B. D. Bhagia, organiser regrets to inform the public that the Charity Drama organised in aid of refugee students at Sunderbai Hall, today has been postponed.

Asian Youth Festival

Sjt. Dahyabhai Patel, Chairman, Preparatory Committee, Asian Youth Festival, and Sjt. Kalwant Rai, Vice-President, All India Youth Congress, in a joint statement to the Press, say:—

A number of enquiries are pouring in the Festival Office every day asking various questions about the South East Asian Youth Conference, which was recently held at Calcutta.

This is to state that the All India Youth Congress which is composed purely of the young Congress men and women had nothing to do with the South-East Asian Youth Conference that was organised with Party of India, by the International Preparatory Committee of the World Federation of Democratic Youth, which claims to be an International Organisation of world youth.

The Asian Youth Festival is not a political conference; it is primarily a festival organised for the purpose of promoting good-will and friendly relationship among the youths of the Asian Countries.

Fruit & Vegetable Sellers' Grievances

The Secretary, Fruit and Vegetable merchants' Association writes:

Athur Crowford Market is the sole centre of wholesale trancastions of fruits in the city of Bombay. Bombay Municipality gets Rs. 255,000/- as solid income by way of scale rent only per year. Moreover this income is rising by leaps and bounds. But no vigilant attention is paid to the legitimate grievances and improvement of the Market.

There is acute shortage of space and vital need of sufficient sheds of delicate, perishable and ripe fruits under the blessing of sun, carry on their business, too, and run the risk of deterioration of their goods to earn their just living. Moreover, recently one of the old and worn out biggest shed has been demolished with the intention of reconstructing another on large scale and modern plan; but in vain; Still further to crown the whole, the Municipal authorities have formed the opinion that such sheds being utilised by the dealers for storing purposes, a storage fee for the unsold parcel remained due to lack of customers and end of business hours may be haged in addition to the scale rent. Accordingly a new proposal has been recommended to the Standing Committee of the Corporation stating that this additional charge will be effective measure to remove congestion, maintain greater orderliness and effect batter supervision instead of admitting inability to meet the grievances.

As this drastic measure will lead to liquidating the fruit business in Bombay, I urge the Corporation to investigate and do justice.

Indian Language Papers Must Assert Themselves

AHMEDABAD, March 3 (API):—Kaka Kalelkar, inaugurating the departments of Bengali and Journalism started by Bholabhai Jeshingbhai Research Institute of Gujarat Vidya Sabha to-day stressed the importance of Indian language newspapers and said: "Our people started English newspapers to ventilate their grievances before the British Rulers. English journalism should now take the back seat". "Indian language papers must improve their quality, get a hold on the masses and assert themselves". Mr. Kalelkar added.

Referring to the study of Indian languages, Mr. Kalelkar said: "We should learn the languages not only of our neighbouring provinces but even those of the aboriginals in order to broadbase the foundations of our newly-won liberty. We should also reform our scripts to adapt them to the requirements of journalism such as composing, teleprinting and typing."

Mr. G. V. Mavlankar, President of the Dominion Parliament in a message wishing sucess to the departments of Bengali and Journalism said: "They are forerunners of Gujarat University, public education and provincial unity."

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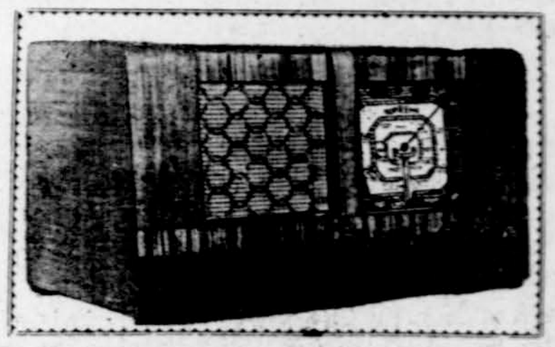
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ALL-INDIA WEATHER CHART

POONA, March 5, (A. P. I.): Following is daily weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the past 24 hours, total rainfall from 1st November 1947 and departure from normal, recorded at 08-00 hours (I. S. T.), on 5th March, 1948:—

BOMBAY 94 73 0 0.3 minus 0.5, Calcutta 93 67 0 3.3 plus 0.7, Colombo nil, Cuttack 92 65 0 9.1 plus 6.0, Delhi 81 56 0 3.9 plus 1.5, Kodaikanal 62 47 0 10.5 minus 9.6, Lahore 82 58 0.1 2.7 minus 0.1, Lucknow 89 58 0 1.5 minus 0.6, Madras —86 67 0 5.6 minus 15.7, Nagpur 91 56 0 4.7 —, Patna 92 63 0 0.6 minus 1.4, Peshawar 76 53 0 1.5 minus 2.7, Poona 89 61 0 1.8 plus 0.4, Shillong 75 47 0 2.0 minus 1.5, Simla 64 48 0 4.5 minus 3.3.

THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Morality is a working arrangement and its sanction is social necessity. As morality is a matter of convention, society has a right to alter or amend it if it judges such modifications in the line of its interests.

—S. Radhakrishnan

The Bombay Chronicle

PATH OF WISDOM

When the Arabs pleaded for justice asking no more than that they should not be deprived of those democratic rights, which are internationally accepted as the due of every people and country, they were disdainfully ignored. When they warned that the cynical move by European and American Powers to be generous at another's expense and partition Palestine would be resisted by the Arabs and that anti-Arab obstinacy would lead to dangerous developments, nobody listened to them. The complacent partitionists went merrily along perfecting the plan and programme for robbing the Arabs of their democratic rights and their homeland. The Arabs just did not matter because they were assumed to be worms, who would not turn against the pervertedly altruistic schemes of the pro-Zionists. But the worm has turned. Indeed he has only half turned yet. But he has already begun to matter. The partitionists are falling over each other now in a hurry to retreat from their original position. The American retreat was and remains most significant because of United States leadership in the partition campaign. But no less important is the fact that the followers are running away farther back. The speech in the Security Council by the Canadian delegate, General A. G. Mc Naughton, is a revealing instance of it. It amounts not only to opposition to the use of force but also, and quite honestly enough, to recantation of the principle of partition, that is of zionisation of Palestine.

It should not be surprising if the present debate ends in the Security Council deciding for all practical purposes to swallow its own and the General Assembly's resolution and recommendation and go back to the equally ineffective but far less dangerous and awkward alternative of seeking a solution by reconciliation. This alternative will also fail so long as European and American statesmen, try, for their own selfish reasons, to impose any imaginary right of any alien to Palestine, which, like any other country, is the homeland of the people, who have inhabited it for centuries. But the present partition fiasco has a moral. The vicarious generosity to the Jews of Europe and the contemplated outrage on Palestine involving also such an obvious outrage on all principles of the rights of a people arose out of sheer selfishness, internal and international. The "sympathetic" countries had their own political and economic ends to serve. But the Arabs were not prepared to be made sacrificial lambs for no fault of theirs. And, strengthened and inspired by the moral and democratic justice of their cause, a cause that cannot be denied in any honesty, they were determined not to be robbed, plundered and betrayed. They challenged the contemplated betrayal and left the world in no doubt of their determination. The pro-Zionists were forced to face the reality and discovered that their precious ends, so far from being gained, were going to be lost with added and altogether unforeseen troubles—grave troubles—for themselves. That is why they are beginning to revise their attitude.

Similar is the inspiration behind their present attitude in the Kashmir case. The position, according to international and democratic principles, is simple enough. They cannot question the justice of India's case. But other considerations, other interest and ends, having nothing to do with justice and international principles, have dominated both the latter. The consequence is the amazing spectacle of distinguished members of the Security Council, founders and champions of the United Nations Charter, wanting the victim of aggression to submit to aggression and to surrender not only its rights but also its moral and democratic obligations. In their present attitude towards the Kashmir question the Powers concerned are repeating the history of their earlier attitude towards Palestine It, too, will not bring them any gain but may well involve serious loss. There is, however, yet time. And let us hope, when the debate on Kashmir is resumed, they will approach the problem in the right way. One experience ought to be enough for learning a lesson.

Frankly Speaking

The Lion And Jackals

So Argentine and Chile are trying so assert themselves — but only at the expense of the British. One might have had sympathy for their move if it meant some sort of genuine South American patriotism. But the regimes responsible for this move and the attack exclusively upon the right of Britain to have a stake in South America are together more than suspicious. In fact, even a Soviet newspaper like the "New Times" denounces it. It pictures Argentine and Chile as jackals descending upon the British lion with the United States, "real boss of the Western Hemisphere" as a third jackal, which has unleashed the other two. One may regard the picture as exaggerated and may not agree with the Soviet description of the United States. But the "New Times" is not altogether wrong in its description of the policy of Argentine and Chile.

Useful Indicator

Every one among the Big Powers and their respective satelites is defiantly talking of, and preparing for war. Each side is indignantly insisting that there is no other alternative for meeting the threat of the other. That will certainly ensure the breaking out of war. But what will be the consequences of such realisation of a mad desire? A report from Washington paper is a useful indicator. Here it is. "The 33,000 tons United States Battleship 'Pennsylvania' still highly radio-active, 20 months after it was used as a 'guinea pig' in the Bikini action bomb test, was scuttled near Kwajylein island in the Pacific on February 19, the Navy Dapartment announced today".

Food For Thought

Much has happened since the Bikini test was carried out twenty months ago. Bigger and more intensively and extensively effective atom bombs have been developed. And, as the American Congress was told only the other day, there now exist even more devastating instrument of death than the atom bomb, namely, radio-active dust and bacteriological contamination. And the carriers of these devastations have also been improved, so that the new aeroplanes can fly nearly twice the distance they did twenty months ago. Every Big Power has the rest of the world within its range. What would happen if these more virulent "weapons" are rained by both sides on the world? There will be more death and destruction immediately. And what remains of humanity may well die in prolonged agony. The earlier atom bomb left its target radio-active for twenty-months There is food for thought in this.

Rehabilitation Of Refugees

Heated exchanges and sharp repartees in the Dominion Parliament marked the passage of the Bill to establish the Ten Crore Rehabilitation Finance Administration to help refugees. The Finance Minister lifted the debate from communal acrimony by assuring the House that the bill was not intended to benefit any particular community alone. Now, the refugee problem passes from the 'rescue stage' to rehabilitation, and it will not be finally solved till every refugee is economically absorbed and politically assimilated as a citizen of India. The Government of India deserves to be congratulated on the skilful and scientific handling of the question, and no wonder its example is quoted by Pakistan legislators as a pattern to follow in that Dominion. The same problem in Pakistan has given rise to provincial bad blood and official conflicts, with exchange of fire on high level between Sind, Punjab and Pakistan ministers. We are lucky to have turned the corner with the maximum good will and co-operartion between the Centre and the provinces. It is welcome news that the five military camps in Kalyan and other camps at Dehu Road are to be placed at the disposal of the refugees, thus satisfying the demand of the Sind Seva Samiti. It is in the fitness of things that the Central Government has taken over the administration of the camps in Bombay provinces, as unified control and purposeful planning are necessary to tackle the expected onrush from Sind.

From Soup To Coffee In 20 Minutes

Diners On A Conveyor Belt!

(BY EGON LARSEN.)

It is said that Professor Einstein was once crossing Switzerland by train; when the ticket collector came into his compartment, the creator of the Theory of Relativity asked him, "When does Zurich stop at this train?"

I was forcibly reminded of this story recently in an office in the West End of London. I sat opposite Mr. T. M. Lewis at his table, which was covered with plans and calculations, while he explained his invention, the 'Conveyor Cafeteria". Instead of carrying meals singly to guests, mechanically or by a waiter, the "Conveyor Cafeteria" carries the diner through the meal, from soup to coffee, in a 20-minute trip through the bill of fare.

HURRIED LUNCH

Mr. Lewis used to be a mining and production engineer, and worked in a Manchester armaments factory during World War II. He often had to hurry over his lunch to get back to the works in time. He used to go to a large buffet restaurant, famous for its efficient organisation in the cafeteria principle, where diners walk along a buffet with a tray, collect dishes as they go, and then take their trays to vacant chairs at the tables. Being in a hurry, Mr. Lewis looked at his watch as he joined the queue creeping past the buffet, and again, when he had walked about with his tray, had managed to find a vacant chair and could begin his meal. Twenty minutes had passed; a third of his lunch hour had been wasted.

That is how he came to invent the "Restaurant of the Future"—which wastes a minimum of time and makes the maximum use of available space. After World War II, he interested one of Britain's oldest and most famous catering engineering firms in his project. This firm, founded in 1750, and still in the hands of the same family today, fitted both Buckingham Palace and the Houses of Parliament with kitchen equipment.

Thousands of city workers crowd into cafes, restaurants and department-store buffets every day during lunch-time. Various attempts have been made in recent years, both in Europe and America, to cope with this invasion. Automatic cafes and self-service cafeterias were the result. In the Union of South Africa, diners were seated at revolving tables; but it could not be guaranteed that the next course would arrive at the right moment.

MOVED AUTOMATICALLY

"Nevertheless, the idea of putting the diner into automatic contact with his meal was right", Mr. Lewis explained, "for old-fashioned self-service cafeterias give him too much trouble and waste too much of his time. Moreover, he has to decide quickly which of the available dishes he will take; the diners behind him in the queue are constantly pushing him forwards.

"In another type of mass restaurant the trays move along automatically, and the diner has to follow his tray. This wastes 11 minutes, on the average, before he can begin eating. So I decided to move the diner along the buffet. The first problem was to know how long it takes to eat a meal. We timed some 800 lunchers, and found that on an average they required less than 18 minutes to eat a three-course lunch; only five per cent. of them needed more time. It was particularly interesting to see how much time was wasted in collecting courses; the actual process of eating often only took half as much time!

"So we settled on a 20-minute 'journey'. But we can set the machinery for 25, 30 or 35 minutes just as easily if desired".

What does the "Rapid Restaurant of the Future" look like? On either side of a table 30-45 yards long, 50-80 broad, comfortable seats move along on a conveyor belt. The table, too—or at any rate that part of it from which the diner is eating his meal—and the floor beneath his feet move along it the same slow speed. There is plenty of time to make a considered choice of the dishes as diners move past them.

SAVING OF SPACE

Fresh, full plates are constantly being placed on the table by service personnel from his centre. Diners sit down at the beginning, and are gently unloaded at the other end; the actual movement is scarcely perceptible. The seats can be moved forwards or backwards, as some people like to sit closer to the table than others. Under the seat there is room for a coat, a hat, a brief-case or parcels.

Even if it is only in use for five hours a day, a cafeteria of this description pays off its own installation costs within a year, for not only does it serve twice as many diners as an old-fashioned buffet, but in addition it only takes up half as much space—an important consideration in a department store.

No wonder orders are piling up from all over the world: from the Rockefeller Centre in New York and various department stores there; from Chicago, Toronto and Australia. The first of these migrating buffets will be finished and delivered this year.

Flag Code For Madras Schools And Colleges

MADRAS, March 5, (API): A flag code for due observance in all schools and colleges in the Province has been drawn up by the Madras Government. The code will be printed in English and all regional languages shortly and circulated to all educational institutions.

The Government attach great importance to the matter of developing uniform traditions regarding the display and use of the Indian National Flag.

CAMBRIDGE (Massachusetts), March. 4 (UPA) Mrs. Elsa Bradstrom Ulrich, 59, wife of a Harvard professor and famed for her work in combating typhus in Russian and Siberian prison camps during World War I, died at her home here early today after a long illness.

U. N. DEFINES DUTY OF JOURNALISTS

"Penalties Should Be Imposed For Code Infringements"

From MICHAEL FRY, Reuters Correspondent

LAKE SUCCESS: Journalists who were once regarded as happy go lucky individuals who gathered world news wherever they could, now find themselves drawn into the United Nations international machinery which, if it grinds slowly grinds exceedingly small. The sub-commission of Freedom of Information which has just completed its work here has taken the first steps to define what journalists shall and shall not do.

Here are some of the conclusions:

Right of freedom of information and expression carries with it duties and responsibilities.

Penalties or liabilities can be imposed on Journalists in matters which must "remain secret in the vital interests of the State; expressions which incite persons to alter by violence the system of Government, except in cases of resistance to oppression, expression which directly incite persons to commit criminal acts; expressions which are obscene; expressions which infringe the rights of literary and artistic property; expressions injurious to the fair conduct of legal proceedings; and expressions about other persons which defame their reputation or are otherwise injurious to them without benefiting the public."

Within the limits thus broadly described, the right to freedom should be considered legally absolute.

MORAL OBLIGATION

Moreover the sub-commission found that "the right to freedom of expression also confers upon all who enjoy it a moral obligation to tell the truth without prejudice and to spread knowledge without malicious intent; to facilitate the solution of the economic, social and humanitarian problems of the world as a whole through the free exchange of information bearing on such problems; to promote respect for human rights and the fundamental freedoms without any arbitrary discrimination; to help maintain international peace and security and to counteract persistent spreading of false or distorted reports which provoke hatred or prejudice against states, persons or groups of different race, language, religion, or philosophical convictions; not to confuse the peoples of the world, aggravate relations between nations or otherwise threaten and destroy the fruits of the common victorious struggle of nations against Nazi, Fascist and Japanese aggression during the last world war."

Newspapers also come under fire. The sub-commission finds that "experience has proved that dangers arise when media of information are in the hands of monopolies or quasi-monopolies, either public or private.

"In the former case, the state must deny itself effective control over all information media; otherwise the function of criticism may be suppressed.

"In the latter case, information may be easily restricted or directed to the detriment of the public interest.

REMEDIES

"Remedies for both situations deserve careful study. When media are privately owned, attention should be directed to such measures as:

"1 The establishment of Boards where complaints can be heard with assurance of adequate publication of their findings;

"2 Compulsory disclosure of ownership and other financial matters;

"3. Regulation of the source of capital.

"4. Removal of advertising pressures;

"5 Regulation of or prevention of formation of national and international cartels;

"6 Maintenance of diversity of sources of information and prevention of standardisation of news, especially on the part of governmental information services."

Iraq Determined To Be Free

British Intrigues To Keep Her Tied To Her Own Apron Strings Fail

SPECIAL TO THE BOMBAY CHRONICLE

BOMBAY, Friday.

"With British influence completely eliminated, Iraq can now confidently loom forward to a progressive future which may shape her destiny and give her an honour place among the nations of the world", observed Mr. Mohamed Hadid, Vice-Chairman of the National Democratic Party of Iraq who is now in Bombay, when interviewed by a representative of this paper on the present political situation in Iraq.

Referring to the wide-spread political disturbances that shock Iraq at the fag-end of January last, Mr. Hadid said that they were the culmination of the resentment felt by the Iraqis against the conclusion of the new Anglo-Iraqi treaty which made Iraq an appendage to England in the international sphere. The Iraqis rose against it with an unanimous voice, and, after great trials and tribulations, ultimately won their point. The old Prime Minister, Saleh Jebr, had to resign and a new Government was formed which informed the British Government of Iraq's resolve to repudiate the new treaty. Thus was accomplished a silent revolution which marks a culminating point in the history of Iraq.

BRITISH INTRIGUES

The new treaty, stated Mr. Hadid, was intended to replace the old Anglo-Iraq treaty of 1930 which was concluded when Iraq was still under Mandate System and against which the people of Iraq had always voiced their sentiments. Though Iraq was nominally independent, the British Embassy wielded great influence behind the scene, and also in the foreign affairs of Iraq. The successive Government of Iraq appointed under their influence were invariably pro-British. Besides, the British two airbases in Iraq to maintain their influence.

In view of these conditions, continued the Iraqi leader, Iraq cannot enjoy a democratic Government, though she has had a constitution on the representative system. But this constitution has always been in cold storage, and no civil liberties have been enjoyed by the people, or free elections held upto now. After the conclusion of World War II the Iraqis clamoured for a change in their conditions and demanded complete freedom from British influence. The orthodox politicians with pro-British sympathy resisted the demands. The British Government realising the signs of the time were once more at their old game of power politics. They manipulated to bring into the Government of Iraq such men as Nurie Said and Saleh Jebr, the ex-prime minister, who were willing to maintain the British influence in Iraq. In alliance with each other these two men suppressed all opposition, and to such an extent that Iraq had almost a police state, till a few week ago.

NEW TREATY WORSE THAN OLD

It was in this tense atmosphere, said Mr. Hadid, that negotiations were started for changing the Anglo-Iraq treaty in a very secret and unusual manner. The greater part of the negotiations were carried on in London between the British Foreign Office and General Nurie-el-Said, who was only the president of the senate, and was not holding at the time any responsible position.

The new treaty when published, went on Mr. Hadid, caused a great disappointment and resentment among the Iraqis for the simple reason that it was worse than the old treaty, inasmuch as it maintained the old Iraqi-British alliance which bound Iraq to whatever foreign policy Britain followed, and dragged her into any conflict in which Britain was involved in any part of the world. For this purpose a joint Anglo-Iraq Defence Board was instituted with wide powers, and British air bases were granted a new lease of life lasting until the Allied troops were withdrawn from the ex-enemy territories. Besides this, Britain was also given the right of passage of her troops to Iraq at any time she liked.

DEMONSTRATIONS START

The Democratic Party spokesman then narrated the reactions of the Iraqi people to the new treaty. Demonstrations started on a country-wide basis as soon as the terms of the treaty were known. In some places they put on a serious aspect. The Government used its coercive machinery, causing several deaths and injuries. The whole public was roused to such an extent that His Highness the Regent of Iraq, after meeting representative politicians, found it necessary to issue a statement to the effect that the new treaty would not be ratified.

When Saleh Jebr, the former Prime Minister returned from England after concluding the treaty, wild demonstrations were started against him demanding his resignation and the repudiation of the treaty. The Prime Minister refused to resign and on January 27 tried to suppress the opposition by an appeal to arms. That was indeed a bad day for Iraq and many lives were lost. But the Iraqis were determined to force the government out of office, and they ultimately succeeded because the same evening Saleh Jebr resigned and a new government was formed pledged to repudiate the treaty. The British Government was soon informed of this great political upheaval in Iraq.

NEW ELECTIONS ABOUT TO BE HELD

Asked about the present position Mr. Hadid said: "Normalcy of the situation has now been restored. The old Parliament has been dissolved and preparations are afoot for new elections on a democratic basis. Every effort is being made to purge the country of British influence and dominion."

"The major aims of the Iraqi people at present", explained Mr. Hadid, "are to have freedom and to start general reforms, political, social, economic and educational. The last 25 years had been wasted. The country had immense economic potentialities which still remained untapped. It would be the constant endeavour of the new Government, said Mr. Hadid, to bring cosmos out of the present chaos and to put the country on the way to progress.

LONDON, March 4 (Reuter): The first crossing of the English Channel entirely by Radar navigation was made early today when the 1,076 tons Antwerp vessel "Topze" arrived in the river Thames at Silbury. The ship left Ostend yesterday in a thick fog which normally would have kept her in harbour and visibility continued so bad that the matter saw nothing of other shipping until the vessel berthed at Tilbury.

IMPORT LICENCES

Terms Of Grant

NEW DELHI, March 5 (A.P.I.) — Import licences will in future be granted subject to certain conditions that the licensing authority may deem necessary, says a Press Note.

A Gazette Notification issued today (March 6, 1948) empowers any licensing authority to make the grant of an import licence subject to one or more of the following conditions:

Goods covered by the licence shall not be dispased of or otherwise dealt with without the written permission of or licensing authority, or any person duly authorised by that authority:

Goods covered by the licence on importation shall not be sold or distributed at a price higher than that which may be specified in any directions attached to the licence;

An applicant for a licence shall execute a bond for complying with the terms subject to which a licence may be granted;

Licences shall not be transferable except in accordance with the permission of the licensing authority or a person duly authorised by the same;

Such other conditions may be imposed as the licensing authority considers to be expedient from the administrative point of view and which are not inconsistent with the provisions of the Imports and Exports (Control) Act, 1947. A licensee who is found to have contravened any of the terms and conditions embodied in or accompanying a licence shall be refused either permanently or for specified periods any further licence for the import of goods. This penalty will also apply to an importer found guilty of contravening any other import trade control rules or regulations.

Orissa Temple Entry Bill Passed

CUTTACK, March 5 (U.P.I.): The Orissa Legislative Assembly today passed the Orissa Temple Entry Authorisation Bill, 1948 conferring rights of entry and worship in temples, on Harijans and other classes of Hindus who, by custom or usage have so far been precluded from such rights. The rights conferred on these "excluded classes" also include the right to battle in sacred waters. Whosoever prevents a person, belonging to the excluded classes, from exercising these rights, is punishable with imprisonment which may extend to six months, or fine of Rs. 500 or with both.

TÊTE-À-TÊTE

In Swaraj based on animal people need not know their rights, but it is necessary for them to know their duties. There is no duty but creates a corresponding right, and those only are true rights which flow from a due performance of one's duties. Hence rights of citizenship accrue only to those who serve the State to which they belong. And they alone can do justice to the rights that accrue to them. Everyone possesses the right to tell lies or resort to goondaism. But the exercise of such a right is harmful both to the exercisor and society. But to him who observes truth and non-violence comes prestige, and prestige brings rights. And people who obtain rights as a result of performance of duty, exercise them only for the service of society, never for themselves. Swaraj of a people means the sum total of the Swaraj (self-rule) of individuals. And such Swaraj comes only from performance by individuals of their duty as citizens. In it no one thinks of his rights. They come, when they are needed, for better performance of duty.—"Mahatma Gandhi".

LAIK ALI GOES BACK EMPTY-HANDED?

NEW DELHI, March 5, (API): Mr. Laik Ali, Prime Minister of Hyderabad, Nawab Moin Nawaz Jung Bahadur and other members of the Hyderabad Delegation left for the State today. They are expected to return to Delhi sometime during the last week of this month to continue the discussions.

It is believed that the Government of India have impressed on the Hyderabad Delegation that they must firstly, annul the transfer of Indian Securities to Pakistan which was a clear breach of the agreement, take appropriate action against the Ittehad-ul-Muslimeen Volunteer Corps even as the Government of India had taken action against certain communal and other turbulent elements in the rest of the country and an honest attempt should be made to iron out differences.

The talks appear to have progressed on parallel lines, Hyderabad insisting on an independent status and India insisting on a democratisation of the present regime in the State and accession. There appeared to be no meeting ground whatsoever between these two contradictory standpoints.

It is, however, pointed out, if the Hyderabad State could adopt a reasonable stand Government of India would not hesitate to reciprocate.

England's Economic Battle On Two Fronts

Dual Problem Of Inflation And Trade Balance

(BY JOHN KINGSLEY)

The recently published White Paper on the United Kingdom's Balance of Payments probably contained few surprises for those who have carefully followed the trend of British trade since the war; it did not, however, underline the urgency of closing the overseas gap as quickly as possible.

Taking the visible trade items on a f.o.b. basis, the total payments for imports in 1947 were £2,105,000,000 (Rs. 2,801.80 crores), of which £1,574,000,000 (Rs. 2,095.02 crores) were for visible items, and £531,000,000 (Rs. 706.78 crores) for invisible items. Exports were £1,430,000,000 (Rs. 1,903.36 crores), including £305,000,000 (Rs. 405.96 crores) for invisibles. The deficit in 1947 was, therefore, £675,000,000 (Rs. 898.44 crores). In other words, only two-thirds of the British overseas trade account were paid for out of income.

The corresponding figures for 1946 were: Total imports of £1,647,000,000 (Rs. 2,185.53 crores), total exports of £1,262,000,000 (Rs. 1,679.75 crores) and a deficit of £380,000,000 (Rs. 505.78 crores) Going back to 1938, the deficit was £70,000,000 (Rs. 93.17 crores).

The £675,000,000 (Rs. 898.44 crores) deficit last year was distributed as follows: a £680,000,000 (Rs. 905.09 crores) deficit with the Western Hemisphere, an £80,000,000 (Rs. 106.48 crores) surplus with the Sterling Area, and a £75,000,000 (Rs. 99.83 crores) deficit with the world outside the Western Hemisphere and the Sterling Area.

CALL ON RESERVES

But the total call on British gold and dollar reserves was almost half as much again as the Western Hemisphere deficit — requirements of the other countries in the Sterling Area and other needs raised the total drain to £1,023,000,000 (Rs. 1,361.63 crores) against only £226,000,000 (Rs. 300.81 crores) in 1946. This added considerably to the burden borne by Britain, and again pointed to the urgent need of finding some means of settling the world trade balances.

Another of Britain's serious economic problems is brought out by the 1947 figures. The terms of trade were still heavily against her. The export average prices in the third quarter of the year, to take one example, were 226 per cent. of 1938 but the corresponding figure for imports was 267 per cent. In terms of money, this disparity meant that if the 1938 terms of trade had been operating in 1947, the adverse visible balance on f.o.b. terms would have been not £449,000,000 (Rs. 597.63 crores), but some £300,000,000 (Rs. 399.21 crores) less, a tremendous reduction.

DWINDLING ASSETS

The items making up the invisible trade account show more than anything how much Britain sacrificed in external assets during the war, and how she has tried to play her part in the post-war rehabilitation of Europe. Against a surplus on the invisible account of £232,000,000 (Rs. 308.80 crores) in 1938, there was a deficit of no less than £176,000,000 (Rs. 234.26 crores) in 1946, and of as much as £226,000,000 (Rs. 300.81 crores) in 1947.

Looking at some individual figures for 1947, we find that the net income from interest, profits and dividends was only £51,000,000 (Rs. 67.89 crores) against £175,000,000 (Rs. 232.93 crores) in 1938, and that a miscellaneous net invisible income of £100,000,000 (Rs. 133.10 crores) in 1938 had turned into a net deficit of £20,000,000 (Rs. 26.62 crores) by 1947. Before the war, about one-quarter of British imports was paid for by her overseas investments.

MILITARY EXPENDITURE

The Government military expenditure overseas fell from £230,000,000 (Rs. 306.13 crores) in 1946 to £80,000,000 (Rs. 106.48 crores) in 1947, while the total of net Government expenditure overseas was only down from £290,000,000 (Rs. 386.00 crores) in 1946 to £211,000,000 (Rs. 280.85 crores) in 1947. This outcome was due primarily to the virtual doubling at £79,000,000 (Rs. 105.15 crores) of British costs of the occupation of Germany — largely a dollar drain—and to a heavy drop from £90,000,000 (Rs. 119.79 crores) to £10,000,000 (Rs. 13.31 crores) in the sale of Government surplus stocks abroad.

Another factor adding to the deficit last year, and now, was the payment of interest in wartime overseas borrowings of more than £3,500,000,000 (Rs. 4,658.57 crores) and the heavy transfers of profits by foreign firms operating in Britain.

We know the steps which are being taken to right the adverse balance on the visible trade account, but the increasing disparity of import and export prices is not helping the struggle to expand British exports by the required degree to ensure the minimum safety and get within sight of a balance in 1948.

CARRIER INCOME

On the invisible side of overseas trade, the prospects are certainly brighter than a year ago, although still not what they should be. Shipping, which earned a net £17,000,000 (Rs. 22.63 crores) in 1947, should be better— new construction will make more ships available and passenger vessels should bring in much more revenue. The heavy drain for Germany and European relief should drop to only about 10 per cent. of 1947. On the other hand, the vast task of rehabilitation will hold up the restoration of income from investments in the devastated areas of the Far East, and on the balance it is unlikely that the deficit on the invisible account will be avoided this year.

PRICES PUZZLE

Reverting to the visible trade position, the factor which has not been helping the internal position has been the continued rise in many domestic prices. This inflationary danger has, of course, not been peculiar to Britain, which has, in fact, come off so far much better than many other countries.

Following on the Government's pronouncement of virtual pegging of most wage rates, prices are now being pegged, and determined steps taken to get many of them down. It is hoped to achieve the pegging and decreases by voluntary effort. The taxation method of mopping up inflationary potential will be used only if the present methods are not effective enough. If this internal gap can be narrowed, it will be of material benefit in the end to workers, consumers, enterpreneurs and overseas customers of Britain.

BOMBAY LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Development Scheme Not To Depend On Loans

Govt's. Financial Position Is Sound, Says V.L. Mehta: Reply To Budget Criticism

BOMBAY, Friday.

Bombay's Finance Minister, Mr. V. L. Mehta, affirmed today that the financial structure of the Provincial Government was essentially sound and he vehemently discountenanced any suggestion for resorting to borrowing to finance the projected development schemes of the Government.

Mr. Mehta, who was replying to criticism levelled against his Budget during the three-day general discussion in the Bombay Legislative Assembly, declared: "Fotunately tne Government have adequate resources from where we can find funds to finance these development schemes. It will be undesirable, uneconomic and unscientific to meet such expenditure by borrowing."

AIMS OF PLANNING PROGRAMME

The Minister said that their planning programme was designed to fight poverty and to establish "a strong and healthy democratic State." The considered industrial policy of the Bombay Government, he said, would be made known immediately after the Central Government's announcement of its policy.

Besides two other Ministers, Messrs Hukkerikar, Thakore Sahib of Kerwada, Mrs. Leelavathi Munshi and many others took part in today's discussion.

Mr. Mehta, replying to the criticism against the Budget, said that he was glad to note that the Opposition members had felt the change of times and were genial and cheerful in their remarks.

The Minister flatly repudiated Mr. A. A. Khan's allegation that the Government were moving at the pace of a bullock. He frankly believed that in the plans placed before the House, there was "largeness of conception and vision." He thought that these plans represented an endeavour which was in consonance with the ideology to which the bulk of the House subscribed.

"The schemes are in essence of the moderate variety characterised by caution and economy and a little bit of conservatism", he confinued. He maintained that in the earlier stages of planning, it might be desirable to build up their resources both in men and material and proceed gradually. He admitted that certain factors forced them to cut down the allotment for the Post-war Reconstruction scheme from 90 crores to 75 crores. However, he assured that it might be possible to adhere to the original figure in view of Mr. Shanmukham Chetty's assurance that there would be no drastic reduction in the Central Government's subvention to the Provinces.

Their plans had the additional merit in that they were well-balanced, he said. Planning should be so designed as not only to meet the original financial outlay, but also to meet the recurring expenditure. In some cases recurring costs would be proportionately higher than even the initial outlay.

GOVT. HAS ADEQUATE RESOURCES

Referring to the critical remarks made by a member about the advisability of meeting capital expenditure from cash balances and his suggestion to float a loan to finance their scheme, Mr. Mehta said that fortunately the Government had adequate resources from where they could find funds to finance the development schemes. He asserted that it would be "undesirable, uneconomic and unscientific" to meet such expenditure by resorting to borrowing which would involve the payment of large interests. The last three loans floated by the Section 93 Government were not to finance any capital expenditure, but to reduce their commitments to the Central Government.

"We are very well-placed in respect of future borrowing. But that should not blind us to the fact that we should not explore other avenues of taxation, we should resort to borrowing only when we are at the end of our financial resources when conditions may change and become more difficult", he said. They should tax now and keep a reserve so that the future administration which would be in charge of the provincial Government, would inherit a sound financial structure from the present Government.

Referring to the criticism regarding the under-estimation of revenues, Mr. Mehta said that the excise duty was actually over-estimated. Only in the case of the sales tax the receipts were more than they anticipated, as the correct figure for the first quarter was not available when the last year's Budget was prepared. He assured that in the present Budget no attempt had been made at over-estimation of expenditure, "so that I may have the pleasure of imposing new taxation."

The Minister did not agree with the Opposition Leader's views that the proposals were not in consonance with Gandhiji's conception of Swaraj. "I am afraid that he himself overlooked Gandhiji's teachings when he pleaded for collectivisation and the extensive use of fertilisers and machines." He believed that no one who was acquainted with the conditions of India's rural economy would advocate the abandoning of the plough and bullock method in agriculture. The Government would proceed with the scheme of land improvement shortly on the lines of the recommendations of the Land Improvement Committee.

Mr. Mehta said that the Provincial Industries Committee had completed its work and submitted its report to the Government. Government's considered policy on industrialisation would be formulated on the Committee's recommendations which, however, would be in consonance with the industrial planning of the Central Government. "Immediately after the Central Government's announcement we will place our plans before you", he said.

He declared that Central Government should properly define the relationship that should exist between large-scale, medium and small-scale industries. The Bombay Government had laid down as its policy that companies should not be floated for establishing oil mills; neither would they allow recommendations for permits for the import of machinery for these oil mills in their desire to give a stimulus to cottage industries.

NATIONALISATION PLAN

Regarding Government's nationalisation plan, he proceeded, some members had criticised that it was piecemeal. The Government could not at this stage enforce province-wide nationalisation of road transport due to lack of technical personnel and specialists.

Referring to the charge of corruption levelled against Government officers, Mr. Mehta said, "I fail to see any difference between the bribe-giver and the bribe-taker. The former is more heinous than the latter."

Touching on the proposals for fresh taxation, he said that it would be wise to build up their resources. "Measures placed before you are unexceptional" he declared.

"It is poverty that we are fighting against and it is for this that we are planning the programme of development which may seem modest in scope at present, but which in due course would be looked upon as revolutionary. Democracy is incompatible with violence. We want to build up a strong and healthy democratic State and it is for the establishment of such a State that I plead to the members of this House to accept the Budget", concluded Mr. Mehta.

IMPROVING AGRICULTURE

Government's efforts to improve agriculture in the Province were outlined by Mr. M. P. Patil, Minister for Agriculture, while replying to criticism made by members. The Minister stated that if the schemes already prepared by Government were put into operation, the Province would become self-sufficient in food-supply in five years.

Mr. Patil, at the outset, referring to the criticism made by a member that there was only one agricultural college in the Province, stated that last year the Government had made provision for the expansion of the Agricultural College at Poona and also for starting two more Colleges, one at Anand and the other at Dharwar. This province would thus be the first to own three agricultural colleges. These colleges would provide education for nearly 600 students.

The Province had already a full-fledged veterinary college. There were also 13 agricultural schools for training boys in practical agriculture. In these schools the students were given a stipend of Rs. 20 a month. Government were convinced that the students of these schools, who mostly came from poor families, needed this help badly. But, at the same time, the Agricultural Department was trying its best to relieve the financial strain on the Government. The Department was planning to introduce in these schools the principle of earning while learning. It was expected that when these schools owned their own plots of land for cultivation and when greater facilities were provided, the whole amount of stipend would be made out of the income derived from the school farms.

FOOD SITUATION

Giving a survey of the food situation in the Province Mr. Patil said that the total cultivable area in the Province was 2,80,00,000 acres. Of this, 2,10,00,000 acres were already under cultivation, producing nearly 37,00,000 tons of food crops normally. The Province generally had a deficit of 5 lakh tons per year.

To tackle the food problem, the Government had prepared a number of schemes, the most important of which was the "Grow-More-Food" scheme. These were prepared with a view to making the Province self-sufficient in five years. The Minister called upon the people to realise "the serious food situation" and give all help to Government.

Observing that greater production of food depended mainly on irrigation, the Minister said that today Bombay Province was the most backward in the matter of irrigational facilities. While the proportion of irrigated area to cultivable area was 100 per cent in Sind, 60 per cent in Punjab, 43 per cent in N.W.F. and 27 per cent in U.P., it was only four per cent in Bombay. Out of the four per cent, two per cent was under well irrigation and the remaining came under the different minor and major irrigational schemes.

IRRIGATION SCHEMES

Government had undertaken a number of irrigation schemes, both major and minor. Greater importance was attached to the minor schemes since, they thought that these were likely to be more useful in the near future. Many of the major schemes would not come into full operation before 25 years. The Minor Irrigation Department which came into existence last May had during the period of 10 months investigated about 30 schemes and submitted many of them to Government for approval. Others were on the point of completion. These schemes, when sanctioned and executed, would irrigate nearly 1,00,000 acres within one year.

The Minister stated that nearly 267 engines for lift irrigation were purchased by Government and these were being supplied to private parties at controlled rates.

Mr. Patil disagreed with the view that mechanisation would be successful in this country as in U.S.A. and Russia. Conditions obtaining here were different from those over there. Here the holdings were small, and besides there was shortage of oil to run tractors.

Referring to Government's efforts for the reclamation of waste lands, he said that Government proposed to advance eight lakhs of rupees for bringing Khar and other waste lands under the plough. Government had also sanctioned rupees five lakhs to finance the working out of a scheme launched by some non-official enthusiasts in Kolaba District, to increase production of food crops. It was also proposed to appoint non-official Secretaries in the Rural Development Boards to ensure their more efficient working.

Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Minister for Health and Public Works, opposed the criticism that sufficient provisions were not made for the carrying out of irrigation schemes. He said that a number of minor and major irrigation projects were being pushed forward, besides various schemes for improving village water supply. The Bombay Government could not take up the Narbada-Tapti scheme as the rivers flowed through other provinces as well. But he assured that the Central Government would take it up without much delay.

It was easy to speak of collective farming, but difficult to put it into practice, he said.

Amidst laughter he declared that the Finance Minister would tax lipstick and face powder "which will enable a woman to catch a husband", but would not tax baking powder "which will enable her keep a husband".

Mr. Chotubhai S. Patel urged the Government to explore the mineral and oil resources of the land, especially in view of the threatened cut in India's oil supply.

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SUNDAY, MARCH 7

His Excellency Sir Maharaj Singh inaugurated the prohibition campaign in the city on Thursday. The Governor is seen talking to a labourer who after hearing Sir Maha raj Singh's speech, rushed to the dais and announced that he would never again drink.

Bombay To Be Made 'Dry'

Prohibition Board Decides To Take Further Steps

BOMBAY, Friday.

It is reliably learnt that the Prohibition Board to-day decided to take further steps towards making Bombay dry.

It is learnt that it has decided to decrease the imports of foreign liquor by 25 per cent. It has also been decided to reserve 50 per cent of the toddy trees for the production of "Nira" and jaggary. The Board has approved a proposal for reducing the quantity of stocks that could be held by liquor dealers.

THREE DRY DAYS IN WEEK

Finally, the Board has decided to increase the "dry days" from two to three in a week excluding holidays.

These decisions are expected to come in force in the month of April.

"My Place Is With My People"

Czechoslovakia Is Entering New Phase In History Says Masaryk

PRAGUE, March 4 (Reuter).—M. Jan Masaryk, non-party Foreign Minister in the predominantly Communist New Czechoslovak Government, declared last night Czechoslovakia had a "bloodless revolution" in the last few days.

M. Masaryk was speaking to officers of the Ministry of National Defence. "We are entering a new phase in our history," M. Masaryk declared.

"My faith and belief was obvious at this dramatic time". As the situation became more clear I did not need to think over where my place was.

"My place is together with the people with the Czechs and Slovaks who I love. When I hear talk of people who have begun resistance, my heart aches.

"Resistance against Hitler—yes, but resistance against our own blood, against our own brothers and against our own Republic—never."

"I am convinced that I shall see no more war in my life. Such is my wish and my prayer.

"You may reckon with me I am one of your," he added.

PRESIDENT BENES NOT ILL

PRAGUE, March 5. (Reuter): M. Klement Gottwald, Communist Prime Minister of the new Czechoslovak Government, opened his first Cabinet meeting since the political crisis today with the declaration: "We sit before clean desks, and we shall not abuse the confidence of the people".

The first decision taken at the meeting, which was expected to last all day, was to raise the bread ration by one kilogram a month, making it now ten kilograms monthly.

President Benes, who has been staying at his country house and taking no part in public affairs since he welcomed the new ministers last week, to-day denied a report issued by the Czech Ministry of Information yesterday that he was ill.

The President's office said that these reports in foreign newspapers were "not founded on fact".

MORE EXPULSIONS.

Continuing the nationwide purge, the Czechoslovak Social Democratic Party's executive committee last night expelled ten members from the party and cancelled their mandates. They included M. Vaclav Mayer, former Minister of Food, M. Frantisik Nemec, Czech Minister in Canada who announced his resignation on Wednesday; and Dr. Yllen Bernard, who has been the party's liaison officer with Socialist parties in the West.

No Publications Banned In Czechoslovakia

PRAGUE, March 4, (UPA): The Ministry of Information announced today that no foreign newspapers or periodicals were banned recently in Czechoslovakia and that the previous announcements to the contrary were in error.

The Ministry spokesman expected four Czechoslovak-language publications printed in the United States which have been banned for some time, but he said that many of the 27 others which were suspended "as a temporary measure," were now again available at Government book stores.

The spokesman added that three visas were granted today to foreign correspondents and that clearances were being made in each case on its individual merits.

BOMBAY GOVT. STAFF FEDERATION

Establishment Of Joint Councils

In pursuance of one of the conditions of which the Bombay Government Staff Federation was recognised, the Government of Bombay, has now decided to establish:

(i) One Joint Council consisting of representatives of the Government and the staff for all the subordinate and inferior staff, except in the Police and Jail Departments in this Province;

(ii) A council consisting of representatives of Government and Staff each for all the Departments except the Police and Jail, under it on a Provincial basis;

(iii) A council consisting of representatives of Government and Staff for all the peons and inferior staff in the Province.

PERSONNEL OF COUNCILS

The joint and other two councils would each consist of 10 members, half of tehm representing the Government and the other half the staff.

The representatives of the Government on the joint council will be the Chief Secretary to the Government, the Senior Chief Engineer to Government, the seniormost among the Divisional Commissioners, the Chief Conservator of Forests and the Surgeon General. The representatives of staff will be those nominated by the Bombay Government Staff Federation.

The representatives of the Government on the Departmental councils will be appointed by the heads of Departments concerned. The staff representatives will be appointed by the Union of the staff of the Department concerned.

The representative on the council meant for the peons and inferior servants will be the Chief Secretary to the Government, one of the Divisional Commissioners, the Collector of Bombay, the Collector of Poona and the Resident Deputy or Under Secretary in the Secretariat. The staff side of this council will be appointed by the Government Peons' and Inferior Servants' Union.

CHAIRMAN AND SECRETARY

The working of the joint council will be according to the rules laid down, and the Chief Secretary to the Government will be its Chairman. He will also be the Chairman of the Peons' Council. The Head of the Department concerned will be the Chairman of the Departmental Council. A nominee of the members of the staff side will work as the Secretary of each of the councils.

BOMBAY MONEYLENDERS ACT

No Intention Of Hitting Depositors Or Investors

It has been represented to Government that it is not clear whether persons who deposit money, or advance loans to traders are governed by the provisions of the Bombay Moneylenders' Act, 1946, and should, therefore, obtain licences.

Under section 2(9) (g) of the Act, loans to traders are governed by the provisions of sections 23 and 25 of the Act and not any other section. Accordingly, persons advancing loans exclusively to "traders" as specifically defined in section 2(18) of the Act need not obtain a licence but a licence would be necessary in case they advance loans to borrowers other than such traders, "viz", to non-traders also and, in respect of such loans, become subject to the provisions of the Act.

DEPOSITS AND INVESTMENTS NOT AFFECTED

The Bombay Moneylenders' Act, 1946, is not intended to his depositors or investors so long as the relevant transactions are genuine and provable as such and not merely a cloak for what in pith and substance are genuine money lending transactions entered into in the course of a substantially professional money lending business. Appearance and reality must, however, be necessarily distinguishable purely as matters of fact to be determined with reference to all the surrounding circumstances and available evidence or material touching each particular deal or transaction.

A debtor seeks his creditor for a loan while a depositor or investor seeks his trustee or investment for either safety of capital or lower but reasonably safe return, interest or yield. Since the element of lending is absent in the latter class of business, deposits and investments are not affected by the Act.

Jawahar Justifies India's Stand On Kashmir

White Paper Presented To Parliament

GRANT OF RESPONSIBLE GOVT. TO STATE WELCOMED

NEW DELHI, MARCH 5 (API).—A WHITE PAPER GIVING "FACTUAL INFORMATION, BACKED BY THE RELEVANT DOCUMENTS, ON THE JAMMU AND KASHMIR CASE" WAS LAID ON THE TABLE IN THE HOUSE OF THE INDIAN PARLIAMENT TODAY.

The White Paper is divided into four parts with an introduction giving a brief description of the territories involved. The first part deals with events leading to the accession of the Jammu and Kashmir State to India; the second, with the invasion of the State by raiders from Pakistan; the third, with Pakistan's complicity in the invasion and the fourth, with India's objectives.

Fantastically Untrue

The Prime Minister, Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru, in a statement on Kashmir in the Dominion Parliament today, said that while disclaiming all responsibility for what had happened in Kashmir, the Pakistan Government "do want to share in whatever they might get out of it."

It was continually being stated by India's opponents and critics on the other side that this was a communal affair and that India was there to support the Hindus or the Sikh minorities there as against the Muslim masses of Kashmir.

"Nothing can be more fantastically untrue. We could not be there for an instant, in spite of our armies, etc., and we would not be there if we were not supported by a very large section of the population, which means the Muslims of Kashmir."

India was charged by people beyond her borders with going to Kashmir to support an autocratic monarch. "The House will remember that one of the conditions that we made at that critical moment when we had to decide whether to send the Indian Army there or not, whether to accept accession or not, was that there must be popular Government there, and not as a goal and an ideal, but immediately. It was an immediate thing and it was given effect to immediately in so far as it could be given effect to."

NOT NEWCOMERS

So it was strange that this charge should be brought against us. Looking at this charge from another context Pandit Nehru said, "These people, men and women of Kashmir, who are with us and who are fighting for their freedom and liberty, are not newcomers in the struggle for freedom. For the greater part of a generation they have fought for the freedom of Kashmir in Kashmir. They have suffered for it and some of us have deemed it a privilege to be associated with them in this fight for the freedom of Kashmir against autocratic rule. These people are with us today. What about their opponents who are against them there in Kashmir or elsewhere? What has been their record in the past ten or twenty years in regard to the freedom of Kashmir? Most of them supported that autocracy. Most of them opposed the freedom movement in Kashmir and now because of entirely different reasons they have become the champions of the freedom of Kashmir."

What was the type of freedom that they had brought into Kashmir today? Asked Pandit Nehru. "The freedom so far that they have brought into Kashmir is the licence to loot and murder and burn this lovely country and abduct and carry away the beautiful women of Jammu and Kashmir state, and not only carry them away but plage some of them in the open market place for sale (cries of shame, shame). So let us have this background before us when we consider the Kashmir story."

It was a stirring background of events said that Prime Minister, "and many of us have been distressed at the strangely narrow view that people in the Security Council have taken of this matter. I do not desire to enter into the details of what happened in the Security Council but I do feel that this background must be appreciated."

TRIBUTE TO THE ARMY

Pandit Nehru paid a warm tribute to the role of the Indian Army which he said, was conspicuous for its gallantary, endurance, impartiality and its exemplary behaviour. "We have two objectives to ensure" Pandit Nehru said and these were to ensure the freedom of the people there and to prevent anything happening which might endanger the security of India.

Pandit Nehru announced that the Maharaja of Kashmir had today made a proclamation replacing the emergency administration by a popular Interim Government. Sheikh Mohammad Abdulla would be the Prime Minister with effect from March 1 and the other Ministers would be appointed on his advice. The ministry would function as a Cabinet and a Dewan would be appointed by the Maharaja who shall also be a member of the Cabinet. As soon as normal conditions were restored a National Assembly based upon adult suffrage would be convened which would frame a new constitution for the State.

The proclamation was received with cheers.

Mr. Shibbanlal Saxena asked the Prime Minister if he would allot a day for discussion on Kashmir. The Prime Minister said that he did not think a discussion now would serve any purpose, more specially because the matter was now being discussed in the Security Council. In a discussion it was difficult to avoid saying things which might create difficulties.

Several members said that they were against any discussion now and the Speaker Mr. G. V. Mavlankar said that it would not be advisable to embark on any discussion at present.

The House greeted with prolonged cheers when the Prime Minister paid a tribute to Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel when he referred to the manner in which the Deputy Prime Minister dealt with an intricate and difficult situation in regard to the States question.

NOEL BAKER DELAYED

LONDON, March 5. (Reuter): The departure of the British Secretary of State for Commonwealth Relations, Mr. P. J. Noel Baker, for New York to lead the British delegation at the resumed hearing of the Kashmir issue before the Security Council may be delayed for a day or two, it was learned authoritatively here today.

Abdul Ghaffar Khan Wants Azad Pakistan

(Continued from Page 1)

people. Who does Pakistan belong to? It belongs to us. Pakistan is poor. Let us not live and govern it like the rich and the British.

AZAD PAKISTAN.

"I want an Azad Pakistan, a free Pakistan. I want Pakistan to be for all. The Government of Pakistan should be in the hands of the people."

Pakistan could have technical experts from abroad, he said, but it should not have foreign administrators. The administration should be in the hands of the people of Pakistan. The British had been asked to stay and more were coming and this was not good for Pakistan.

Khan Abdul Ghaffar Khan began his thirty-minute Urdu speech strongly repudiated the suggestion that he and his followers wanted to divide and destroy Pakistan.

Declaring that he and his followers had been against the division of India, he said: "Now it is an established fact. The story is over."

He said that he was a practical man (he said that last two words "practical man" in English).

"I served my country. The Khudai Khidmatgars was a social movement but it was made into a political movement by the British."

'FRIEND OF PAKISTAN.

He assured the House that he was against sectional divisions and racialism which he said had great disadvantages. "My people are with you for the national good," he said, turning to the Treasury benches.

He asked the House to consider his remarks as those of a friend and in the interests of Pakistan.

NO TRADE WAR.

Answering a question the Finance Minister Mr. Ghulam Mohammed said as the economy of India and Pakistan was interwoven, it would be injurious to both to set up trade barriers, and he hoped an amicable settlement would soon be reached. He said: "We do not want to start a trade war between India and Pakistan. We want to live in peace and amity with India".

FRONTIER TEHSILDAR SUSPENDED

PESHAWAR, March 5 (U.P.I.): A case under Sec. 409 and 420 of Cr. P.C. has been registered against Mr. Gul Badshah, Tehsildar of Shabqadar in the District of Peshawar, who was also the special officer in charge of properties of non-Muslim evacuees. It is alleged, he despatched valuable articles belonging to the refugees to his home and also embezzled large sums of money recovered from cash boxes left behind by the non-Muslims. The Officer is already under suspension.

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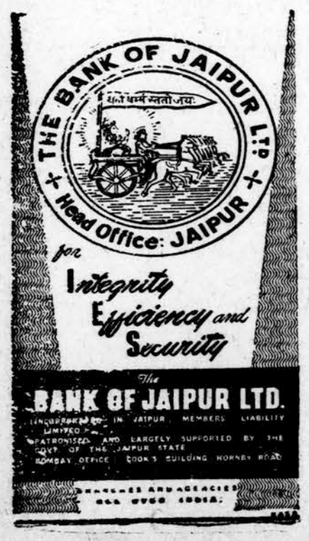

"SARDI" Reviews Our Screen

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Veena Plays yet another historical role in "Samrat Ashok", awaiting release.

CURRENT PHOTOPLAY

Novelty

CREED OF THE MAHATMA

Kashmir Films' AHINSA is the first Indian picture to propound a political principle in the garb of entertainment, with any measure of success. Its purely fictitious plot has non-violence as its theme and it points the Gandhian way without being too preachy.

The film abounds in heroics and situations that are frankly melodramatic, but despite these faults it delivers its message competently. Touches of nationalism have, of course, been dragged in by the scruff of their necks, as for instance a large portrait of Dadabhoy Naoroji looming on the wall at the back of Professor Vidya Sagar, as he lectures on non-violence to his college class.

Himsa and ahimsa are personified by the two main characters, Bhushan and Shekhar, who both begin by being adherents of non-violence. However, the political vortex sweeps them aloft and in rescuing a British soldier from a crazy mob of collegians who have forgotten their guru's lesson, Bhushan finds himself unjustly imprisoned. Shekhar soon joins him for his anti-British propaganda activities.

The tempo of the film now livens up with Bhushan's release being procured by his profiteering father, while Shekhar's poor mother can do nothing to save her son from rotting in jail. It is here that Shekhar is converted by the fanaticism of a revolutionary, one Sardar, under whose guidance he abjures non-violence and, escaping, becomes a bandit.

There is a tortuous, up-hill path to this picture, the events spiralling up with no downward curve. The erstwhile comrades face each other across an unbridgeable abyss. The terrorist Shekhar, even contemplates Bhushan's murder when the latter remonstrates with villagers against their accepting the ill-gotten gains of the bandit. Mounting in an ever-increasing crescendo, the climax breaks on the audience when Shekhar's mother intercedes, trying to prevent him from purloining a golden 'moorti.' Brushing her aside, he causes her death and tracing his steps back to her corpse, is riddled with bullets from the police search party. Thus he who has lived by the sword perishes by it.

The slight romance woven into the story, is unobstrusive. It is well played by two personable youngsters—Dulari and Santosh Kumar. If Navin Yagnik's Shekhar seems over-laden with heroics, it is more the fault of the script than of the actor.

Ramnik Desai's handling of the theme is apt though on the flamboyant side.

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Super

THE SOCIAL AXE

Judging by our pictures, our producers seem very conscious of the evils that infest the social structure of this country. For the sake of the box-office where the man of the masses predominates, his screen counterpart is always shown in flattering colours. Mehboob's ELAN, is no exception to this much-favoured cinematic rule, actually a concession of capitalist producers to the common man whose century the present is supposed to be—a sort of sop to Cerberus.

Whatever the reason, it is good to see feudalism and capitalism being given the rod, while humble labour is assigned the role of the meek who, in the bible, inherit the earth. The central characters in the present photoplay are drawn larger than life to accentuate the differences between the classes they personify. Capitalism is embodied in the greedy money-lender to whose chariot wheels is bound a decadent relic of feudalism. Against these powers of evil, stands the educated but poverty-stricken youth deprived of his deserts in a sordid world where not ability but pulling all wires gets one anywhere.

The usual romantic note of the rich girl loving the poor man, has, of course, been injected into the story. Complications, necessary ingredients of every Indian film, are easily introduced by making the heroine the play-thing of the reprobate whose destiny rests in the palm of the money-lender's greasy hand. A court-room serves as the scene of the climax, murder having taken its toll along the way.

Characterisation is this film's strong point. As the grasping usurer, Shah Nawaz is in his element, while from Himalayawala comes a rich etching of the plutocrat going to seed. Surendra is a splendid example of miscasting in the part of the poor and "youthful" hero. Munawar Sultana plays the heroine torn between opposing loyalties.

The Mehboob touch is noticeable while the strains are clearly Naushad's.

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Royal Opera House

THE BLIND SAINT

The Gujerati photoplay BHAKTA SURDAS, from the Prakash studios, presents a lofty tale.

Bilwamangal is a man in love with life; but for him life stands for the gratification of every lustful desire. No excuse is too low if he can get near to Chitamani, a singer who first opens his eyes to the evil of his carnal ways. He decides to turn over a new leaf and along with Chitamani becomes a wandering devotee. When, however, he one day sees a beautiful woman, the flesh calls once again.

It is from this character that the name Surdas, as applied to the blind, originates, for when the mendicant realises that his eyes are the windows through which temptation finds a welcome, he shuts them for ever by blinding himself.

This drama from the pen of Jaman, has been directed by Shantikumar. Its cast consists of Arvind, Saraswati Pande and Wimal Ghaisas.

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Majestic

THE RAKE'S PROGRESS

Sadiq has nothing new to offer in DAK BUNGALOW. There is the usual village belle with three comical godfathers whose indulgence in time-honoured antics of vulgarity is supposed to raise a laugh. Then, of course, there is the artist whose hat is too big for his head and his purse meant only to play the price of pleasures. A zamindar's son is thrown in for good measure and to give the picture a twist, he is actually depicted as a person capable of self-sacrifice.

Suraiya is once again the village belle and Wasti plays the rake. Gope gives an exhibition of his well-known pranks. Madhok's lyrics, set to music by N. Bhattacharya, are to be heard in the film.

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Imperial

MELODRAMATIC MADNESS

It does not speak much for the taste of our audiences or the ingenuity of our producers for the poor critic to be confronted, week after week, with the same old pictures mouldy with ancient, improbable or silly themes. However, to each his Cross.

The Cross of a man—an artiste—married to a woman who imagines his unrevealed countenance to radiate the beauty that endows his work, must indeed be a heavy one. All honour to him that he teaches the foolish woman to value worth above beauty. But what a long and tortuous way for the poor audience being taken to its Calvary.

Wasti and Swarnalata are harnessed with the principal roles with Pratima Devi, Badri Prasad and Rafiq Ghaznavi in support.

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THE PRINCIPAL PLAYERS IN MEHBOOB'S 'ELAN'

Left—Rita as the vamp.

Right—Surendra as the poverty-stricken but educated youth.

Left—Shah Nawaz as the usurer

Right: Munawar Sultana as the rich girl in love with the poor youth.

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Bombay Municipal Elections

A SURVEY OF THE RESULTS

BY S. H. SETH

Saturday— February 21st— sprang many surprises for, on that day, the entire composition of our Municipal Corporation changed beyond expectation for the next five years to come.

Since 1939, the Congress Party had been in real control of our civic affairs and the political observers as well as men-in-the-street had expected that under the system of adult franchise and joint electorates in Free India, Congress would be returned to power with a much more impressive majority.

The election results, of course, brought the Congress party out as a single largest party in the Corporation, but with a much reduced strength and with an overall majority lost.

The Congress put up 94 candidates, leaving twelve seats uncontested out of the total of 106 such seats. It captured 47, gaining 50 per cent. success. Adding a candidate elected from the Indian Merchants, Chamber, the total strength of the Congress Party comes to 48 in the House of 117.

Among the 94 Congress candidates, 75 were Hindus (including members of the scheduled castes) 8 were Muslims, 8 were Parsis, one Sikh and one Indian Christian. Out of them, 39 Hindus, 2 Muslims, 4 Parsis, 1 Indian Christian and 1 Sikh were successful.

The Socialists Party put up 48 candidates, out of whom 26 were successful i. e. 54 per cent. These 48 candidates consisted of 41 Hindus, 4 Muslims and 3 Indian Christians. Out of these, 22 Hindus, 1 Muslim and 3 Indian Christians won the election battle.

The Muslim League Party put up 12 candidates in some select wards, predominantly inhabited by Muslims out of whom 10 were successful i. e. 83 per cent.

The Scheduled Castes Federation nominated only 9 candidates, out of whom 7 were returned, i. e. 78 per cent. The Communist Party put up only 8 candidates in some select constituencies, largely inhabited by textile labour population, out of whom 5 succeeded i. e. 62.5 per cent. Eight Communist candidates consisted of seven Hindus and one Muslim. Out of them, 4 Hindus and one Muslim won the elections.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta's Citizens Election Board put up as many as 16 candidates, out of whom only one was successful, i. e. 6.25 per cent Out of these sixteen candidates, 14 were Hindus and 2 were Parsis. All the 14 Hindus were defeated, while 1 Parsi gentleman out of the 2 was successful.

Among the other organised and unorganised parties which entered the election field were the Radical Democratic Party which put up a couple of candidates, the Trotsky group which nominated only one and the Bolshevic-Leninist group which too, nominated only one. None of them was successful.

As many as 53 Independents were contesting, out of whom only 10 succeeded. These 53 candidates consisted of 27 Hindus, 19 Muslims, 5 Parsis, and 2 Indian Christians, out of whom only 4 Hindus, 4 Muslims and 2 Parsis were successful.

FINAL POSITION OF PARTIES

Thus, the final Party-wise strength in the new Municipal corporation to be constituted in April, 1948, would be as follows:- Congress: 47. Socialists: 26; Muslim League: 10; Scheduled Castes Federation: 7; Communists: 5 and Independents: 11; (including one belonging to the Citizens Municipal Election Board).

This distribution of seats accounts for 106 seats out of the total of 117—the remaining 11 being allotted as under:- 1—to Indian Merchants' Chamber 1—to Bombay Chamber of Commerce 1—to Bombay Mill-Owners Association. 1—to University of Bombay and 4—to Trade Unions and 3—nominated —among them being the Commissioner of Police, the Municipal Commissioner and the Chairman Bombay Port Trust.

Indian Merchants' Chamber has returned a Congress nominee, while the other three single-member constituencies may return Congress supporters. Trade Unions constituency may return one Congress nominee or supporter. Thus the Congress Party may have a total strength of about 52 members. Assuming that the three ex-officio members will vote for the Congress, the Congress may count upon the total strength of 55 in the House of 117. Even then, it shall not have the overall majority in the House.

Mr. Jamnadas Mehta, a sitting member of the Corporation, formed a new group (called the Citizens' Municipal Election Board) in association with such others as Mr. M. N. Talpade, Mr. R. K. Tatnis, Mr. R. A. Gole, Mr. Naushir Bharucha and Mr. L. G. Thatte to remove the 'fascist menace' that the Congress Party was. None of them could win the elections, excepting the solitary Mr. Naushir Bharucha. Mr. Thatte even forfeited his deposit.

Mr. A. P. Sabavala, the present Mayor of Bombay, Dr. Sorab Mehta—son of Sir Pherozshah Mehta—Mr. Motichand Kapadia, who would have become the Mayor in case of his election, Mr. B. N. Maheswari—deputy leader of the Municipal Congress Party—Mr. Ishwarbhai S. Patel, Principal, M. V. Donde and Dr. G. R. A. Shaikh are outstanding among those who have been defeated in these elections.

Some of those who made their mark in the outgoing Municipal Corporation like Prof. S. R. Davar, Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas and Mr. Nagindas Master—a former Mayor—did not contest the elections at all.

In all, 12 women contested the elections, out of whom 7 were successful, i. e. 58.33 per cent. From among these twelve women candidates, 5 contested on Congress ticket and 3 of them were successful 3 contested on Socialist Party ticket and all of them were successful, 1 was a Muslim League nominee and she won and 3 Independents, all of whom lost. Community-wise, 7 were Hindus, 2 were Parsis, 1 was Muslim and 2 were Christians. Out of them, 4 Hindus, 1 Parsis, 1 Muslim and 1 Christian were successful.

To some extent, the party position in the new Corporation would be identical with the 'group system' in the French Parliament. Two 'groups' will have to merge together to handle effectively the municipal affairs. Which two would merge together is a question.

PROBLEMS BEFORE CONGRESS PARTY

The Congress, being the single largest party, must be one party to such an amalgamation or co-operation. Among the others, Muslim League and Socialist Party have already offered co-operation to the Congress Party. Acceptance of the offer of co-operation from the League by the Congress would mean letting communalism thrive in her own lap. If this happens, it would belie the Gandhian ideology by which it stands. The Socialist Party is an off-shoot of the Congress and its independent existence is only a few months old. There is no material divergence between its ideology and that of the Congress. Besides, it is a non-communal progressive party. Therefore, the co-ordination between the Congress Party and the Socialist Party would be a most desirable and natural thing to achieve. In reality, there should not be any difference between the whole that is the Congress and the part (now separated) that is the Socialist Party.

Viewing the Congress 'wins' and the Socialist 'wins' separately, we find growing support for the latter. This, all the more, emphasises the need for stating and defining the Congress civic matters in unequivocal and categorical terms. Any confusion regarding the policy it proposes to pursue in future—when its main objective of achieving freedom for this country has now been fulfilled—will seriously prejudice its position among the masses. The Municipal Elections in this city are an indicator of the trend of events in the country and unless the Congress is converted into a 'Social Service Corporation' in the most real sense of the term, its future is cast with doubts.

200 Per Cent Tax On British Imports

Guatemala Congress Resolution

SAN SALVADOR, March 5. (Reuter): Rumours and strict censorship have combined to blanket reliable news of events in Guatemala, but all indications have been that the crisis with Britain was being pressed strongly, radioes William Hardcastle, Reuter's Correspondent.

The expected formal diplomatic break apparently had not last night arrived. However call from this neighbouring republic to the British Legation in Guatemala proved impossible, at least for the time being.

All that was known was that deputies in the Guatemala Congress have submitted a resolution calling for breaking off relations with Britain, because of "provocation" at Belize, capitol of British Honduras, where British troops have been landed in face of threats of a Guatemala invasion.

A similar resolution, which would impose a 200 per centum tax on all British imports, was also submitted.

Indications were that every attempt would be made to "keep the crisis boiling" until the end of this month at least, when the Pan American conference is being held at Bogata, Colombia.

It can be expected that the Guatemalan resolution calling for abandonment of all colonial territories in the Americas will be passed at Bogota in some form.

HOPE FOR SOLUTION

CARACAS March 5. (Reuter): Venezuela, which shares a border with British Guiana today officially expressed the hope that a solution might be found, acceptable to both parties, in the present difficulties between Britain and Guatemala over British Honduras.

Indications that she might support a general move to define "colonial rights" at the Bogota inter-American conference, starting on March 30 a Venezuelan foreign ministry statement said western hemisphere countries are bound by ties of solidarity and close co-operation to look at each other's problems with keen interest.

The statement hinted that Venezuela would condemn intimidation as an instrument of foreign policy.

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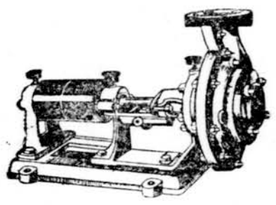

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COMMUNISTS LOOT GRANARY OF HYDERABAD CONGRESSMAN

Arrests Follow Searches In Kistna District

BEZWADA, March 5. (A.P.I.): Bezwada police early this morning raided the offices of the "Prajasakthi", a Communist Telegu daily and "Prajasakthi Nagar" in Moghularajapuram, a suburbs of Bezwada. The police seized some papers and arrested Mr. Gopalakrishna, Publicity Officer, Hyderabad State Andhra Mahasabha, who was externed from the Hyderabad State some time ago for his alleged Communistic activities.

The arrest and searches were made under the Madras Criminal Law Amendment Act.

According to a message received by the District Superintendent of Police, Kristna, from the Inspector of Police, Nandigama, and sub-insepctor of police, Munagala, eleven Communists were arrested last evening for alleged attempts to loot the paddy granary of a State Congressman in Nelamarri village in Munagala enclave of Hyderabad territory. The message further says that three unlicensed loaded guns were found with the above arrested persons.

8 R.S.S. MEN RELEASED.

MADRAS, March 5. (A.P.I.): The Madras Government to-day ordered the release of eight R.S.S. volunteers, out of a total of 189 now under detention in the Province, after reviewing their cases individually. The Government also ordered the release of three Muslim National Guards out of the thirteen arrested early last month.

NO MERGER OF BIG STATES BY FORCE

Reported Assurance To Rulers

NEW DELHI, March 5 (UPI): The issue of merger or non-merger of the States was clinched yesterday, when the Conference of representatives of the Major States, convened by the Bikaner Maharaja, concluded its deliberations.

It is reliably learnt, this Conference, apart from discussing the problem of "mediatization", apprised the States Ministry of the Government of India of the misapprehensions created in the minds of the Prince of the major States as a result of many reports that bigger States also are expected to come into the merger schemes, and sought an assurance and clarification on these points from the States Ministry.

The United Press of India special representative further understand that the Bikaner Maharaja has received an assurance from the spokeman of the States Ministry that the States which are "viable units" will not be brought in the orbit of the merger scheme, unless they themselves express their desire to amalgamate with the adjoining area or provinces.

In the course of a series of conferences of the Ministers of the major States under the chairmansnip of the Maharaja of Bikaner, views of these official representatives of the Princes concerned were ascertained with regard to the clauses bearing on the States, embodied in the new draft constitution of India.

The Conference, it is authoritatively learnt, has prepared a list of amendments, which will be moved in the Dominion Parliament at the time of discussions on the draft constitution. The list of amendments, it is understood, will be put in the final form after the Rulers of the States concerned have expressed their views on them.

PRINCIPLE BEHIND MERGER

Interviewed by the United Press of India on the reported merger of the major States with he adjoining areas, Mr. V. T. Krishnamachari, Prime Minister of Jaipur, said: "It is high time these lies, that the States Ministry had asked for integration of the major States into compact political units, were nailed to the counter. On the contrary, the States Ministry has recognised the principle that only smaller units, namely, those States which have got a population of less than a million and an annual income of less than Rs. one crore, should be amalgamated. There is, therefore, not an iota of truth in the reports that Jaipur will merge with the 'Matsya Union', or that Jodhpur, Bikaner, and Jaisalmer will amalgamate to form one administrative unit".

Mr. S. A. Sudhalkar, Prime Minister of Baroda, also confirmed the same viewpoints and reiterated that it had been decided once for all, as a result of these parleys, that "viable units" would not be merged and Baroda and nearly a dozen more States would have a separate existence, enjoying full autonomy, which, in course of time, may come to the level of provinces so as to form the United States of India.

MERE EXPANSION OF JAIPUR CABINET?

Praja Mandal To Seek Clarification

(From Our Correspondent)

JAIPUR, March 2: Interviewed in connection with the Jaipur Government's announcement of Constitutional Reforms, Shri Tikaram Paliwal President of the Jaipur Rajya Praja Mandal, said: "The long expected announcement regarding the formation of a new Government in Jaipur as an interim measure pending the establishment of full responsible Government has been made. I must however, say that the Maharaja's decision to transfer power to the people's representatives as a result of long parleys between the Praja Mandal and the Jaipur Government could have been expressed in a better and more appropriate language. By referring to the formation of the Interim Government, on the basis of which the talks have all along proceeded, as an expansion of the Cabinet, the announcement has been robbed of its spirit and grace.

He added: I am calling a meeting of the Working Committee of the Praja Mandal to consider the announcement. It is necessary to have some further talks with the authorities to clarify certain points. I have nothing more to say on the subject at present"

NIZAM DECONTROLS CLOTH

HYDERABAD (Dn.), March 5, (A.P.I.): The Nizam's Government have decided to decontrol cotton cloth from March 16, while the controls over yarn will remain in force for some more time, it is learnt.

WESTERN UNION TREATY TALKS

Anglo-French Draft Placed Before Five-Power Conference

BRUSSELS, March 5, (Reuter): The Anglo-French draft of the proposed Western Union treaty will be placed before the Five Power conference of Britain, France, Belgium, Holland and Luxembourg here today.

Mr. Gladwyn Jebb, Assistant Secretary of State at the British Foreign Office, was expected to arrive by air from England to take part in today's session due to open at the Belgian Foreign Office.

The treaty proposals presented by the Benelux (Belgium-Holland-Luxembourg) delegates yesterday were undestood to resemble the Anglo-French draft so closely that it was forecast the talks would end next Tuesday and the treaty would be concluded within a fortnight.

The military aspect of the Union it was learned, will be disclosed when Field Marshal Lord Montgomery, British Chief of the Imperial General Staff, tours Belgian military establishments at the end of this month.

Usually well-informed circles here said the treaty could be signed before the conference of the sixteen Marshall Plan countries meets in Paris on March 15.

If M. Georges Bidault, French Foreign Minister, was not able to leave Paris before the sixteen nation conference, it was thought that he and Mr. Ernest Bevin, British Foreign Secretary, would come to Brussels on March 17.

Sardar To Visit Baroli On 24th Inst.

(From Our Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, March 4.

It is now definitely learnt that Sardar Patel is arriving at Bardoli on 24th inst. During his stay Gujarat Congress workers will meet in conference when the Sardar will guide the workers as after Bapu's death he is the fittest man for the job.

The list of members of the Gujarat Committee of Bapu's Memorial, according to Rajen Babu's circular has been prepared. The final selection and work of collecting the fund will be made shortly after 9th.

Mohan Bagan Hockey Team For Bombay

CALCUTTA, March 5, (API): The Mohan Bagan Athletic Club hockey team left for Bombay this afternoon to participate in the hockey tournament which commences in Bombay on March 6.

The Mohan Bagan team will meet the Goan Association on March 9, in their first engagement.

RECORD PEACETIME EXPORTS OF U. S. FOR '47

WASHINGTON, March 4. (Reuter): United States exports during 1947 reached a new peacetime record totalling 19,600,000,000 dollars compared with 152,000,000,000 dollars in 1946, the Department of Commerce announced today.

Big price increases were on important contributory cause of the higher figures.

Mahatma's Ashes For Rangoon

RANGOON, March 4, (Reuter): Ashes of Mahatma Gandhi will be brought to Rangoon on Monday by a representative of the Indian Embassy who is now in New Delhi.

The ashes will be immersed in the Irrawaddy river on March 21.

LABOUR MINISTERS TO CONFER

BOMBAY, March 5. (A.P.I.): A conference of the Labour Ministers of the Provinces of the Indian Dominion will be held in the middle of April at New Delhi under the presidentship of Mr. Jagjivan Ram, Minister for Labour, Government of India, it is learnt here.

The conference it is understood, will discuss ways and means of implementing the Industrial Truce resolution passed by the Industries Conference held in New Delhi in December last.

The Conference will be followed by a tripartite conference of the representatives of the Government, Employers and Labour, India's Prime Minister, Pt. Jawaharlal Nehru, is expected to preside over the Conference.

MONOPLANE MISSING

DARWIN, March 5. (Reuter): A two-engined Avro Anson monoplane, which left Darwin yesterday manned by two Australians, was reported missing to-night between Timor and Dutch Borneo. The plane, which was bound for Singapore, carried no wireless.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

British Funds Firm

LONDON, March 5 (Reuter): Shares were freely offered in the Kaffir Section of the stock markets today when it became known that mining trade unions were calling for discussions on the question of wages and hours. A sharp marking down of prices occurred with losses of two and six pence registered. Slight recovery took place when the market realised that this message did not constitute a fresh threat of labour troubles.

Elsewhere, there was scarcely a ripple of interest in any section which generally were steady. Some small routine orders brought about a firmer tendency amosg British Funds with gains of one-eighth. The exception, however, was transport three-percents which lost one-sixteenth to 97-15/16.

Slightly lower levels prevailed for oils as a result of small offerings. But these were well absorbed and the undertone of the market remained very steady.

The Foreign Bond section experienced drying-up of business as a result of decline in prices for European issues on Wall Street.

Closing Prices

4-1/2 p.c. B. Consols	78-5/8
3-1/2 p.c. Conversion Loan 1961	105-1/8
4 p.c. Fund Loan 1960/90	113-7/8
3-1/2 p.c. War Loan 1952	103-13/16
3 p.c. War Loan	104-3/8
4 p.c. Vic. Bonds	114-1/8
4 p.c. Saving Bonds	100-3/8
3 p.c British Transport	97-15/18
INDUSTRIALS	
Ass. Portland Cement	64/3
Bri. Amer. Tobacco	5-5/16
Br. Celanese	23
Cal. Elec.	39
Cal. Tramways	32/6
Carreras	5-9/16
J. & P. Coats	60/6
Courtaulds	41/1-1/2
Distillers	26/9
Dunlop Rubber	69/3
Elec. & Music	17/6
Fine Cot. Spin & Doub	28/1-1/2
Ford Motors	47/3
Im. Chemical	46/3
Im. Tobacco	5-3/8
Indian Iron Steel	50/7-1/2
Int. Nickel	49-7/8
Lever Bros. & Unilever	80/10-1/2
Marks & Spencer	66/10-1/2
Pinchin Johnson	32/4-1/2
Standard Motors	29
Woolworth	80
Vickers	26/1-1/2
TEA SHARES	
Assam Consolidated	26/3
Assam Frontier	17/6
Assam	22/6
Dooars	39/6
Emp. of India & Ceylon	20/6
Imperial	35
JUTE SHARES	
Barnagore	19-1/2
Samnuggur	32/6
RUBBER SHARES	
Ang. Dutch Plant of Java	15/6
Guis-Kelampong	16/3
Invest Trust	24
MINING SHARES	
Burma Corp.	5/9
Crown	4-13/16
Nundydroog	15/7-1/2
Spring	9/6
Sub-Nigel	4-11/16
Tavoy Tin	2/3
Union Corp.	270
Con. Tin Burma	2/4-1/2
Indian Copper	4/4-1/2
OIL SHARES	
Anglo-Iranian	160
Attock	26/10-1/2
Burma	68/9
Mexican Eagle	15/3
Trinidad Leasehold	31/3
Royal Dutch	23-1/2
Shell Transport	3-13/16
Venezuela Concession	115
SHIPPING	
P. & O. Steam	53/4-1/2
Ind. Gen.	11 nom.

NEW YORK STOCKS.

NEW YORK, March 5.

Friday's opening prices: Anaconda Copper Mining dol. 32, General Motors dol. 52, United States Steel Common dol. 69-7/8, Preference unquoted.+ Reuter.

CROSS RATES

LONDON, March 5.

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U. S. Price of Foreign Silver 74-5/8 cents.

MADRAS STOCK EXCHANGE

Indifferent Business

MADRAS, March 5, (A. P. I.): The market was patchy, with indifferent business. Banks quietened, also teas. In textiles, leaders were steady. Miscellaneous was featureless.

The following are today's quotations:

SUGARS AND BREWERIES: Deccan Rs. 21/4, Mysore Rs 55, Travancore Rs. 14/12, Travancore New Rs. 10.

PLANTINGS: Chembras Rs. 11/2, Cochin Malabar Rs. 8, Devashola Rs. 17/12, Highland Produce Rs. 29/8, Kalpettas Rs. 25/12, Malankara Rs. 49, Midlands Rs. 7/8, Nilgiri Teas Rs. 9/7, Pullangodes Rs. 1/7/6, Thirumbadi Rs. 2/11, Vikundam Rs. 8/7.

TEXTILES: Buckinghams Rs. 342, Cambodias Rs. 12, Coimbatore Rs. 124, Do. Pioneer Rs. 109, Spgs. Rs. 48, Janardhanas Rs. 53 Lakshmi Rs. 98/6, Madura Rs. 45/12, Metturs Rs. 292, Mysore Silk Rs. 10/6, Pankajas Rs. 98/8, Radhakrishna Rs. 150, Ranga Vilas Rs. 54/8, Sitaram Spg. Rs. 128, Trichinopoly Rs. 13/10, Vasanta Rs. 105/8.

MISCELLANEOUS: Aluminium Indutries Rs. 8, Andhra Cements Rs. 83, Do. B. Rs. 7/8, Ind. St. Rollings Rs. 10, Mettur Chem. Rs. 10/6, Mysore Chem. Ferts Rs. 12/10, Mysore Papers Rs. 15/12, Spencer Rs. 11/6.

U.S. To Fix Ceiling Price For Wheat Exports

WASHINGTON, March 5. (U.P.A.): The United States representatives tomorrow will sign an international agreement imposing a ceiling price of two dollars per bushel on a large portion of the United States wheat exports during the next five years, an informed source said.

The agreement also would set the "price floor". They reportedly range from dol 1.60 in the first year down to dol. 1.10 in the fifth year.

Wheat prices are expected to decline gradually with the passing of the world food shortage. American commitments under the agreement still would be subject to Congressional approval.

A United States official closely associated with the negotiations said the agreement probably will not act as a check on wheat prices in this country.

CALCUTTA STOCK EXCHANGE

Steady Tone

CALCUTTA, March 5. (API): The Calcutta Stock Exchange today ruled steady and a fair business was put through.

The following are today's final transactions up to 2.30 p.m.:—

GOVT. SECURITIES:— Three per cent Loan 1986 Rs. 100/5, Three per cent Loan 1951/54 Rs. 102/8, Three per cent Loan 1957 Rs. 102/2. Three per cent Loan 1949/52 Rs. 101/7.

BANKS: Bengal Central Bank Rs. 11/4; Hind Bank Rs. 40; Reserve Bank Rs. 110/12; United Commercial Bank Rs. 66.

COTTONS: Cawnpore Textiles Rs. 10/9; Dunbar Rs. 238; New Victoria Ordy Rs. 5; Ditto Pref. Rs. 5/10.

COALS: Bengal Rs. 546; Bharat Colliery Rs. 8/4; Baraboni Rs. 1/15; Burrakur Rs. 23/8, Central India Rs. 9, Raneegunge Rs. 24/4; Talcher Rs. 5/7; Western Bengal Rs. 7/8.

JUTES: Alliance Rs. 282; Anglo-India Rs. 365; Barnagore Rs. 299; Champdany Rs. 231; National Rs. 31/8 Reliance Rs 87/4; Howrah Rs. 86/12; Kanknarrah Rs. 538; Nuddea Rs. 95.

ENGINEERINGS: Indian Iron and Steel Rs. 32/12. Jessop and Co. Rs. 22/13; Kumardhubi Eng. Rs. 10/7 Marshalls Rs. 7/2; Steel Corp. Rs. 28/3 Textile Machinery Rs. 9/5.

MISCELLANEOUS: Burma Corp. Rs. 3/7; Consolidated Tin Rs. 1/14; Indian Copper Rs. 2/15; Tavoy Tin Rs. 1/8; Sone Valley Cement Rs. 10/2; Calcutta Electric Rs. 26; British India Corp. Rs. 10/8. Calcutta Trams Rs. 20/14; F and C Osler Rs. 11; Jardine Henderson Rs. 178; Martin Burn. Rs. 17/12; National Insulated Cable Rs. 9/14; Rohtas Industry Rs. 10/6; British Burma Petrol Rs. 2/15; Titaghur Paper Rs. 43/9; Assam Saws Rs. 7/1. India General Navgn. Rs. 127; India Steamship Rs. 13/7.

SUGARS; Buland Rs. 15; Darbhanga Rs. 14/7; Ramnugger Cane Rs. 20/12.

TEAS: Bishnauth Rs. 55/8; Central Cachar Rs. 150; Singtom Rs. 8/12.

AHMEDABAD SHARES

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

AHMEDABAD, March 5: The market opened strong. Bull support at a lower level pushed the market up, and it closed firm.

FLUCTUATIONS: Calico Opened Rs. 1465, Highest Rs. 1467, Lowest Rs. 1450, Arvind Opened Rs. 1684, Highest Rs. 1687, Lowest Rs. 1674. Ambica Opened Rs. 504, Highest Rs. 509 Lowest Rs. 491, Tata Deffd. Opened Rs. 1700, Highest Rs. 1727, Lowest Rs. 1689.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS: Arvind Rs. 1678, Ambica Rs. 492, Calico Rs. 1462, Bupitor Rs. 411/8, Marsdon Rs. 214, Tata Deffd. Rs. 1713, Ashok Rs. 636/4, Nutan Rs. 535, Rohit Rs. 427/8, Bhalakia Rs. 85, Jahangir Rs. 1930, Mahalaxmi Rs. 695, Lal Mill Rs. 492/8.

CHINESE DOLLAR GOES DOWN FURTHER

NANKING, March 5, (Reuter): Chinese National Currency continued to fall today as heavy buying pushed the States dollars to a new record of 355,000 Chinese dollars per United States dollar.

The price of gold rose another million Chinese dollars in the past 24 hours to reach 22,500,000 per ounce of gold.

The price of rice, meanwhile, stood at 3,000,000 Chinese dollars per picul despite the arrival of 35,000 tons of American relief rice.

PARIS March 4 (UPA): The French Foreign Office announced today that Foreign Minister Georges Bidault was going to Turin shortly to sign an agreement for negotiation of a customs union between France and Italy.

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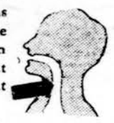

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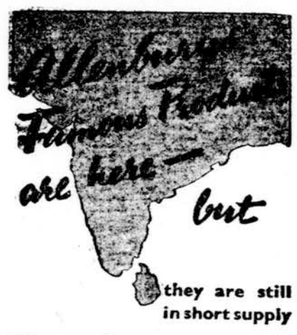

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OUR READERS' VIEWS

The Budget—The Common Man's View

Sir,—What the Congress has so far professed concern for the masses—this first annual budget of Free India's national Government fails to fulfil. The Finance Minister has failed to manifest in the form of concrete proposals concern for the masses. As will be observed by any intelligent open-minded person, the Finance Minister in his enthusiasm to offer incentive to the industrialists, has done injustice to the over whelming majority of the population. It is a sad commentary on the Budget proposals of a Free India's first Finance Minister that he should resort to indirect taxes, and that too on things that enter into the consumption of the overburdened poor and the middle classes.

With the policy of progressive decontrol that is being pursued by the Government, facts prove that the prices of the necessities of life, have been on an increase. The Finance Minister's budget proposals, coming at such a critical period, should have evoked enthusiasm and high hopes for the future from the masses, but it is to be regretted that this has not been the case.

The one redeeming feature of the last year's budget, for the poor and middle classes, was the fact that they were not called upon to contribute further towards meeting the budget deficits. This year, in his proposals to meet the deficit of Rs. 26.85 crores, the Finance Minister announces indirect taxes on some things. Firstly the excise duty on tea is raised from two annas per lb. to four annas per lb. and on coffee raised to four annas per lb. The duty on vegetable products is raised by 50 per cent to Rs. 7/8 per cwt. The Excise duty on matches will be Rs. 2/8 per gross. An excise duty on cigarettes amounting to 25 per cent on ex-factory prices is to be imposed and duty on certain unmanufactured categories of tobacco is enhanced. As against so many fresh impositions and enhancements the only removal is that on betel-nuts. Any person open for conviction will readily admit that, knowingly or unknowingly, the Finance Minister has taxed things which have become semi-necessities. It would be difficult to suggest that these enhancements would not make fresh inroads on the meagre resources of the much discussed common man.

The Finance Minister talks in terms of "The necessity for so arranging the additional taxation as to leave the poorer classes untouched." With all the humility, may I suggest that his proposals betray his objects. The above enhancements and impositions do not stand alone, you have also to take into account the protection the common man was getting by Government expenditure on food subsidies. The Government used to buy foodstuffs in foreign countries at very high prices and the foodstuffs were sold to the Indian people at reasonable and controlled rates. Thus the Government used to bear a part of the burden; this was something tangible for the masses. But now even that has been withdrawn. In 1947-48 Government expenditure on food amounted to Rs. 110 crores. This year the Government proposes to spend only 19.91 crores on that account. Should it be suggested that the saving of about 90 crores under this head, has been made to the total detriment of the middle and poor classes and so they should not be called upon to bear any additional burdens such as those suggested by the Finance Minister? Thus the budget speech, displaying the wide vocabulary of the Finance Minister, butters no bread for the common man who needs financial and economic relief more than anyone else. In fact the poor and the middle classes are hit harder than the capitalists.

Mr. Chetty in his campaign for stimulating production and industrial enterprise has tried to please a class that cannot be easily pleased. The abolition of the Excess Profits Tax with indecent haste, was hailed by this class as a great act of equity and justice. Does the Finance Minister remember this? The Finance Minister has lowered the Business Profits Tax, raised the limit for Super Tax as also lowered the Super Tax on undistributed profits companies. No doubt, to some extent, it would be preferable for the population as a whole to see that the existing rate of taxation does not seriously hamper the growth of savings and retard our industrial development. But it is highly desirable that the Tax-relief to the upper stratas of the society should not be such as to cast the burden on those who are the least fitted to bear it. It is submitted that the present budget proposals will have the abovementioned effects and to that extent it is "The Industrialist's Budget."

If the interests of the millions are to have a priority over the interests of a limited class, if this land of ours is to be a democracy in the economic sphere also, it naturally implies that the resources of this limited class should be increasingly taxed for the benefit of the population as a whole. It is reported that an Estate Duty Bill is to be introduced. What form it will take one does not know, but that need not prevent us from suggesting that the resources in the form of death duties and inheritance taxes should be put to the maximum use to iron out the glaring inequalities.

Last year's budget was proclaimed to be one that would enterprise and mortgage the industrial future of the country. With regard to this year's budget, with a greater degree of truth, shall we not say that the Finance Minister has actually mortgaged the foreseeable future of the man in the street. The Finance Minister has given confidence to the vested interests, to the members of a strictly limited class and this, to the sad and striking neglect of the common man, for whose welfare our industrialists and businessmen were so very anxious exactly a year ago.—Yours, etc.,

A. D. DAVE.

Wanted Healthy Opposition

Sir—On the 3rd inst. the Socialist Party leaders, Sri J. P. Narain Smti. Kamaladevi and Dr. Lohia issued a joint statement from New Delhi, offering their fullest co-operation to a reconstituted national ministry. Several interpretations have since then been given to that offer. While some have taken it as an indication of eagerness on part of the Socialists to join the Government, the Socialist leaders themselves have denied that their offer had any such definite background. Whatever might have been the ulterior motive, if any, the Socialist leaders statement raises the question, what would be the best way for their party to help our country in its present crisis.

I personally think that acceptance of office by the Socialists, even in a reconstituted national cabinet, would be the wrong way of serving the national cause. India's primary need today is not so much the building up of one solid party bloc but the development of a healthy opposition. If we shall closely review the question of the mushroom-like growth of the R.S.S. and other reactionary movements we shall find that many well meaning, sincere enthusiasts have been forced to line up with such communal bodies, simply because there was no alternative party, which could criticise and oppose the Congress. It is, therefore, much more in national interest that the Socialist leaders, instead of giving up even the limited criticism they offer at present, would start on the work of building up a healthy Opposition. They have a healthy political background and if they will be able to forsake temporarily some of their disputable doctrines and invite co-operation from all progressive sources, they would be rendering an invaluable service to our country in its days of trial and regeneration. They will also find that their offer of co-operation with other "opposition" groups would meet with quite a different response, than the cold rebuff, which their statement has met with from the conservative Congress leadership. It is now time for us to learn that in Democracy even opposition, if it is sincere, is a great necessity and a better method of co-operation in building up the nation than forming one unchallengeable bloc. Thank you—Yours challengeable bloc.—Yours, etc.

—M. R. VYAS

Bombay.

Panchgani Hindu High School

Sir,—My attention has been drawn to the letter of Mr. Vrajlal Dayal published in the "Bombay Chronicle" of the 27th. While I am obliged to him for his solicitude for my pupils, I am to inform him and your readers that the school has started working as before from the 24th instant. No pupil is stranded and we are receiving necessary help from Government. I have seen Mr. Hooseinbhoy Laljee and expressed my gratitude to him for his kind feelings. His help in any shape or form is always available to us.— Yours, etc.

—M. V. PANDIT
Superintendent.

Folklore About Weather

Sir,—The India Meteorological Department is interested in collecting folk-lores and proverbs regarding weather conditions, in various Indian languages. These, representing as they do, local knowledge accumulated by centuries of experience are sure to be of great interest.

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(for Director).

Undesirable Practice

Sir,—In his statement of 25th inst. the Prime Minister of India suggests that "all over India there is a tendency to name roads, squares and public buildings after Gandhiji. This is a very cheap form of memorial." This is not all. The Lala Lajpatray Hindu Hotel in Poona (Bus route 7), the Netaji Subhash Hindu Hotel in Dombiwali and the Congress Hair Cutting Saloon in Jalgaon—all show that there is a tendency to name hotels and saloons after our great leaders and institutions. This is a disgraceful form of memorial and if an appeal by our Prime Minister fails to arouse the sense of responsibility of the public in this respect, Government may pass necessary legislation to punish such hotel and saloon owners.—Yours, etc.

D. S. JOSHI.

Education

Sir,—Six months have passed since now. We got independence and it is surprising to see that in matter of education Government has done next to nothing. The appalling illiteracy of the masses is a menace to our newly obtained freedom. Hitherto, we have been the products of universally condemned system of education and we may give a warm pat to our back in producing clerks, politicians and philosophers save practical men. In order to maintain our freedom and build a strong and powerful Indian Union a fundamental reorganisation on this system is of imperative necessity. Government should do the needful to sponsor this drive before long.—Yours, etc.

C. V. PAVASKAR.

"Gandhistan"

Sir,—I invite the favour of attention of the public to a letter signed by Messrs. N. D. Karnick and S. G. Laud published in the issue of 16-2-48 suggesting to rename the city of Bombay as 'Gandhi-nagar'. Certainly it is good suggestion. It will be a memorial to the greatness of the Mahatma. But if the memorial is to be on the broader line, I would suggest that 'Hindustan' may be renamed 'Gandhistan' to make the memorial to Gandhiji. This memorial would be the one for the whole world and not limited to India. The Mahatma was respected not only in India but throughout the whole world. If necessary, it may be called 'Gandhia' in English. The name 'Gandhistan' does not connote an abode for Hindus, Muslims or any other community. Similarly, our would-be common language-Hindi or Hindustani may be called 'Gandhi' language. One and all in our country, in right earnest, should begin to bring the same into use, though broken. Students in all schools in rural and urban areas should be given lessons in the language.—Yours, etc.

S. G. MUTGI.

Nepani.

Gandhiji's Triumph

Sir,—On Thursday, when the Nation paid its last homage to Bapu, a complete "hartal" was observed throughout the city (in the country too). How greatly Bapu had endeared himself to the common men of India would be evident from the following two instances which prove that this unique strike was "spontaneous in the full sense of the term unlike the present-day strikes sponsored by various political parties.

Early morning on that day, I wanted to go to the Town-Hall for the prayers along with some of my family-members. No conveyance was available. We however, saw one victoria passing by the road and thanked our stars for it. We asked the Victoriawala whether he would take us to the Town-Hall. We also made clear that we would not mind the fare. To our utter surprise and disappointment (and satisfaction too) he replied. "Aj Koi Kaise a sakta hai? Ham to ghar jate hain. Aj bhee Koi Kamaneka din hai"? "How can any one work to-day? I am returning home. It is criminal to think of earning to-day" thus reminding us both of the solemnity of the day and the thoughtlessness of our gesture. We thanked him for having brought us to our senses and began to walk.

On our way. We came across an old Bhaiyajee who was selling newspapers. We inquired whether he had a copy of the "Bombay Chronicle". He said he had only one left with him on being asked about the price the Bhaiyajee replied with folded hands "Aj kaise black kar sakte hain, do ane de do or le jao" "How can I charge more to-day? Just pay two annas and take the paper". How earnestly did all of us wish that some of our educated and so-called cultured men who do not hesitate to exploit Bapu's death-one of the most tragic incidents the world has ever witnessed. For selfish ends by selling newspapers and photographs of Bapu exorbitant prices could learn a lesson from this dear old Bhaiyajee whose human sense had not become blirred by illicit greed or profiteering!

These incidents convinced us of the fact (if any conviction was necessary) that neither the gobin of Godse nor cruel death had conquered Bapu, that Bapu still "lives and wakes" that he has triumphed even in his death.—Yours etc.

Feb. 13.

USHA MEHTA.

DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR INDUSTRIES & SUPPLIES

All Cut Motions Withdrawn In India's Parliament

NEW DELHI, March 5. (A.P.I.): Beginning discussion on the demands for Grants for the Industries and Supplies Department, the Dominion Parliament took up a number of cut motions.

Before the discussion began, the Speaker, Mr. Mavlankar, made a reference to the death of Dr. B. S. Moonje, who was formerly a member of the Legislature. The House stood up in silence to mourn his loss and pay respect to his memory.

Mr. Anantasayanam Ayyangar moved the first cut motion to discuss the method of stepping up production of large and small scale industries. Mr. Ramnath Goenka moved a second cut motion to discuss the disposal policy of the Government. Mr. C. Subramanyam's cut motion sought to discuss the creation of a commercial and industrial service and pooling of technicians. Mr. B. P. Junjhunwala by a fourth cut motion sought to discuss the administration of State industries in general and the Sindhri factory in particular. Mr. B. Das moved a fifth cut to discuss the economy of the Directorate-General of Disposals, Textiles Commissioner and the Indian Stores Department in London.

Replying to the debate the Minister for Industries and Supplies, Dr. Shyamaprasad Mukherjee regretted that it had so far not been possible to announce Government's industrial policy. He hoped, however, that before the session ended this policy would be announced and a separate day set apart for discussion by the House. Recalling the Industries Conference held in December last year and the recommendations made by the Sub-Committee of the All-India Congress Committee, Dr. Mookherjee gave a few broad outlines of what this policy would be.

All the five cut motions were withdrawn and the House passed the demands for the Industries and Supplies Department.

Mr. B. Shiva Rao moved a cut to discuss "implementing of Labour policy and legislation."

The Labour Minister, Mr. Jagjeevan Ram, explained the steps that were being taken by Government to implement the Industrial Truce and disclosed a plan to build one million houses in ten years.

So far as Government were concerned, said the Labour Minister, "We are very anxious to implement the Industrial Truce resolution. I hope the same response will be made by Capital and Labour". He regretted that a section of Labour leaders had not acted in the same spirit in which they had accepted the resolution, because they were not working solely in the interests of Labour but to advance their own party interests. "I want to make it clear that in the present conditions when the country is faced with shortage of consumer goods, Government cannot afford to tolerate interference in production by any group or party. And if we have to take severe action against those who impede production, we will not falter."

Mr. Jagjeevan Ram said that in the formation of Works Committees he was not going to recognise any Union. The workers would have full liberty to choose their own representatives.

Government were strengthening their Conciliation machinery. The number of Regional Labour Commissioners had been raised from three to five and would be raised to seven. The number of Railway Inspectors and Conciliation Officers would also be increased. There would soon be five Permanent Adjudicators. One of them had already been appointed at Dhanbad.

He had taken up the question of implementing the Industrial Truce resolution with the Provincial Governments and workers' organisations. He proposed to set up a number of Regional and Central Committees, which would study questions relating to fair return on capital, fair wages and sharing of surplus profits.

The Labour Minister ended his speech with an appeal both to Capital and Labour. "Let Capital realise, let Government realise, let everybody realise, that they owe something to Labour which adds to the prosperity of the country. Let Labour realise that they have their rights and privileges but duties and responsibilities as well not only to the employer and to the Capitalist but to the country and the community at large. So far as Government are concerned, every action that we take will be in pursuit of the objective of ameliorating the condition of the common man and raising his standard of life". (Cheers).

All cut motions were withdrawn. The House adjourned till Monday.

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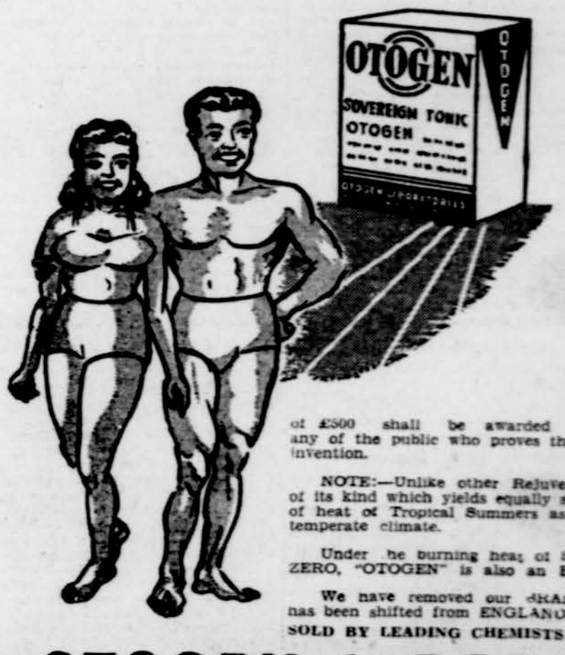

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Bullion Market Firm Under Steady Offtake

BOMBAY, March 5.

The Bombay Stock Exchange was fairly steady today under scattered covering influenced by technical considerations. The market seems to have lost confidence and the present improvement is mainly due to short covering as actual buying urge is absent. The recent sharp decline dried up offerings but in case if prices improve further Bears who have covered a portion of their short sales, may come in with selling orders. Thus the market outlook remains discouraging in the absence of any constructive development.

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Thereafter there was further moderate improvement but towards the close scattered selling appeared. Tata Steel Dfds. after advancing at Rs. 1722/2 quietened at Rs. 1715. Ordinary shares were quoted at Rs. 352. Dyeings were done at Rs. 1052/8 and Kohinoors were quoted at Rs. 582. Simplex Shares were quoted at Rs. 228/- and Swadeshi Shares stood at Rs. 643. Associated cements were done at Rs. 173/8 and Bellapurs were steady at Rs. 361. Scindia Shares changed hands at Rs. 30.

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Tata Steel (1st Pref.) 198/12 Tram 50 Andhra Valley 1362/8 Tata Power 1265 Hydro 125 Bombay Steamer 323/12 Nagpur 690 Swadeshi 146/4 Vishnu 830 Laxmi 307/8 New Great 225 Poddar 115 Shrinivas 98 Elphinstone 118/12 Bradbury 480 Surat Elec- 165/10 Premier Construction (1st Pref.) 127 (Second Pref.) 125 Amalgamated 123/12 Habib 72 Tata Chemical 128/12 Walchand Nagar Industries 250 Jupiter 17/10 Supreme 120 Meyer 125/10 Mackenzie First 127/8 Mackenzie Second 125 Ahd. Advance 160 Mysore Mill 50 Standard 101 Madhusudan 13.

DEBENTURES

Andhra 1952 (4) 103/8 B. Steamer 1959 105/4, Indian Hume Pipe 111, Tata Power 1951 103 Walchand Nagar (6) 117.

OUTSIDE ISSUES

Indian Copper 2/14 B. I. C. 10/4 Burma Corporation 3/6 New Victoria Mill 5/4 New Victoria Pref 6/4 Raja 28 Phalton 120, Gold Mohor 340, New Kaiser-e-Hind 380 Sajjan Mill 280, Osmanshahi 265, Ajamshahi 235, Air Services 13, Air Ambica 17, Air India Tata 187/4 Hind Motor 7/6 Indian Steam 13/4 Sone Valley 11.

RECORD OF ACTUAL TRANSACTIONS IN SHARES.

BOMBAY, March 5.

MILLS.

Ahmedabad Advance 567/8
Apollo 3/15/6 3/14 3/15 3/14/6
B. Dyeing 1060 52/8 60 42/8 57/8 52/8
C. India 337 39 36/8 38 34 39 37
Elphinstone (Ord.) 89
Finlay 329 30 27 30
Gokak 341 37 40 38
I. U. (Defd.) 2/15 2/15/6 2/14/6
I. U. (Ord.) 15/6 15/3/6 15/5
Indore 560 55 65 52/8 55
Kohinoor 586 88 75 82 80 87 82 84
Laxmi 1600
Madhusudan 253/12
Meyer 195
New Great 400 400/8 395 96 94
Podar 175 72/8
Podar (Pref.) 115
Simplex 227 26 27 23 28 26
Swadeshi 645 47 36 45 41
Swan 365
Tata Mills 79/8 80 79/8
Vishnu 613/12 15

BANKS.

Baroda 166 65
Central 90 89/8 90/8 90
Habib 153
Imperial (Old) 2045 60 45 50
Imperial (New) 505 1/4 5 2/8
India 250/8 50 51 50
Reserve 112/12 12/8
Union 10/14 10/11
U. Commercial 68 69

ELECTRIC.

B. Tram (Ord.) 145 46/8 46
Suburban 137/8
Hydro 154/8 53
Power 1555 60

INSURANCE.

B. I. General 21/4
New India 74/8 75

STEAMER.

B. Steam 542/8 45
Scindia 30 30/6 29/14 30/2 30 30/1

STEEL.

B. Steel 28/2
I. Iron 32/8 32/12 32/5
Tata (Defd.) 1705 12/8 7/8 17/8 1685 1715 2/8 22/8 15
Tata (Ord.) 351 53 52 53/8 47 53 52/8 53 51
Tata (IInd Pref.) 148 47/12 48/4 48

MISCELLANEOUS.

Alcock 313/12 20 18/12
A. C. C. (Old) 172 74/8 72 73/8 73
A. C. C. (New) 107/8
Belapur 365 69 58 61 58
B. B. (Old) 455 56/4 51/4 56/4
B. B. (New) 148/12
B. B Petrol 3/1 3/1/3
I. Bleaching 153 56
P. Const. 202 1 2 199 200 199
Shivrajpur 41 41/8
Tata Chem. 18/6 18/7 18/6
Tata Oil 62/8 63
Wimco 323/12 15 18/12

SPECIAL.

Central Bank (New) 89/8
Simplex Coupon 119 16
Eastern Bank 105
Madhusudan (Pref.) 13
Haydari Const. 15/10
Muhammadi Steam 102/8
Scindia Renunciation Letters 8 7/8
B. Suburban Elec. (New) 131/4 30/10 31/4

INDIAN STOCK EXCHANGE

BOMBAY, March 5.

Tata Ordinary 351; Tata Deferred 1715; Indian Iron 32/5; Steel Corpn. of Bengal 28/2; Bombay Dyeing 1052/8; Central India 336/14; Gokak 338/2; Kohinoor 583/12; Simplex 22/6; Swadeshi 641/4; Tata Power 1560; Associated Cement 173; Belapur 358/2; Bombay Burma (Old) 456/4; Scindia 30/1; Central Bank 90; New India 75; Tata 2nd Pref. 148/2

HESSIAN MARKET.

BOMBAY, March 5.

HESSIAN 45X11 PER YD.	Pics.		
Ready	120	8	0
Feb.-March	114	0	0
April-June	108	8	0
BARDAN D. W. 40X28. PER 100 BAGS.	Rs.	as.	p.
Ready	99	8	0
Feb.-March	99	0	0
April-June	97	0	0

ITALIAN ART-SILK YARN.

BOMBAY, March 5.

150 D. March	8	12	0
120 D. Ready	9	10	0

BOMBAY COTTON

BOMBAY, March 5.

Trading was suspended today and some pickets were watching the entrance of the ring. Private business was being done and March after opening at Rs. 578 was quoted at Rs. 581.

The clearing passed off satisfactorily and outward payment is being made. There was improved buying and March delivery advanced at Rs. 593. Quotations were as under:

I.C.C. March	592	0	0
I.C.C. May	582	0	0
I.C.C. July	588	0	0
I.C.C. September	592	0	0

INDIAN COTTON PARITY

Indian cotton May contract is 1197 cent points below New York May at Exchange rate 331

COTTON TENDERS

On Thursday 850 Bales were tendered against March contract so far total tenders amount to 1300 Bales.

GOLD & SILVER

BOMBAY, March 5

The Bullion Market was steady today with steady demand. It is said that so far nothing definitely decided. In the meantime and fairly active business is being done on spot. Ready Silver after advancing at Rs. 160, steadied at Rs. 159/8. Ready Gold after being quoted at Rs. 110/- stood at Rs. 109/8 while sovereigns were placed at Rs. 70/12.

PRODUCE MARKET

The produce market was quiet today with slightly increased selling. Castorseeds May delivery opened at Rs. 136/- and after declining at Rs. 134/5 steadied at Rs. 134/12. Quotations were as under:—

GROUNDNUTS.			
Madras Ready	31	4	0
Bold Ready	31	0	0
Khandesh Ready	31	8	0
Feb.-March dely	30	14	0
April-May dely	29	14	0
CASTORSEEDS.			
Ready	32	12	0
May dely.	134	8	0
LINSEED.			
Ready	25	14	0
Feb.-March dely	25	14	0
April-May dely	24	12	0
OILS.			
Groundnuts Ready	17	5	0
March dely	17	3	0
April dely	16	14	0
Castorseeds 1st Quality	20	0	0
Castorseeds Com. Quality	19	0	0

BOMBAY SUGAR PRICES

BOMBAY, March 5.

	Per Bag.		
Maharastra	100	8	0
Kalam	102	0	0
Jagadhari	104	0	0
Raja	106	0	0
Buland	111	0	0
Motipur	111	8	0
May dely	35	0	0

(BENGAL MAUND).

Arrivals 6166 Bags.

GOVERNMENT LOANS

BOMBAY, March 5.

	Rs.	as.	p.
2-1/2 p.c. 1954	98	12	0
2-1/2 p.c. 1950	101	4	0
2-1/2 p.c. 1961	97	2	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1948-52	100	7	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1960	99	7	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1962	100	0	0
2-3/4 p.c. 1976	99	8	0
3 p.c. Non-Terminable	100	2	0
3 p.c. 1996 Con.	100	4	0
3 p.c. 1949-52	101	8	0
3 p.c. 1951-54	102	9	0
3 p.c 1953-55	102	8	0
3 p.c. 1957	102	5	0
3 p.c. 1959-61	102	0	0
3 p.c. 1963-65	101	1	0
3 p.c. 1966-68	100	14	0
3 p.c. 1970-75	100	11	0
3-1/2 p.c. 1951-59	105	12	0
4 p.c. 1948-53	102	8	0
4 p.c. 1960-70	113	8	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67	117	0	0
4-1/2 p.c 1955-60	114	2	0
4-1/2 p.c. 1958-67	116	12	0
PROVINCIAL LOANS			
2-3/4 p.c. U. P 1961	99	0	0
2-3/4 p.c Madras 1961	99	2	0
3 p.c. Bombay 1955	101	12	0
3 p.c. Bombay 1958	101	12	0
4 p.c. Punjab 1949	99	4	0
3 p.c Madras 1952-53	100	12	0
3 p.c. Punjab 1952	99	4	6
3 p.c. U. P. 1952	112	0	0
3 p.c C P 1952	101	0	0
3 p.c. N.-W. F. 1952	100	0	0
3 p.c U P 1961-66	101	2	0
3 p.c. Bombay Port Trust.	112	0	0
4 p.c Bombay Municipality City	112	0	0
3 p.c Bombay Municipality 1959	118	0	0
6 p.c Municipality 1954	120	0	0
New 1977	101	9	0
5 p.c B P T	112	0	0

CALICUT MARKETS.

CALICUT, March 5.

Coiryarn Beypore 150/160; Quilandy 175/185; Fibre Garbled 115; Ungarbled 105; Cocoanuts Raw 102; Dry 102; Cocoanut Oil 310; Copra Office 210; Dilpasand 215; Madrasnottam 230; Pepper Wynaad 725; Country 700 Dry Ginger Chernad 240; Ernad 230 Coffee Robusta 185; Timber Pali 62/65; Junglewood 27/8/30; Vellapine 40/42/8; Benteak 40/45; Teak 90/97/8; Mango Planks 3/3/6; Teak 10/15; Rosewood 15/20.

PARIS BOURSE

PARIS, March 4 (UPA): Activity fell off on the Bourse today as traders awaited weekend political developments.

United States dollar 20 gold pieces were quoted on the free market at 21,200 and the dollar 30.54. The blackmarket dollar was 33.2.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, March 5.

B C Rates T T D D 1/5 15/16 Ready
B C Rates T T D D 1/5 29/32 up to 6 Months
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 31/32 Ready
London Banks Selling T T D D 1/5 15/16 up to 6 Months
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/32 to 9th Months
London Banks Buying T T 1/6 1/16 10th-12th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/16 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 3/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying D D 1/6 1/8 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 1/8 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 5/32 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 60 and 90 d/st 1/6 3/16 7th and 9th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 5/32 to 4th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th Month
London Banks Buying 120 d/st 1/6 7/32 7th and 9th Month
New York and Montreal B C Rates T T Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Selling T T D D Rs. 332 1/4
Banks Buying T T Rs. 330
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs. 328 3/4
Montreal Rs 328 1/2
Banks Buying D D N Y Rs 329
Montreal Rs 328 3/4 L/C
Paris Banks Selling T T Fcs. 6400
Paris Banks Buying T. T. Fcs. 6550
Amsterdam Banks Selling T T D D Fl 79
Belgium Banks Selling T T L D Fcs. 1305
Java Banks Selling T T D D—79
Hongkong Banks Selling T T L D Rs. 84
Singapore Banks Selling T T L D Rs 157 1/4
New York-London Cross Rate Do. 4.02 3/4 to 4.03 1/4
London/Afghanistan Cross Rate Afghani Rs. 52.57-53.43
London Alexandria Pia 97 1/4-3/4
London Amsterdam Fl. 10.68-70
London Bangkok Tcl 40
London Belgium Fcs. 176 1/2-3/4
London Denmark Kr. 19.32-36
London Hongkong 1/3 1/16
London Iran Rl 128-130
London Java Fl 10.68-70
London Lisbon Es 99.80-100.20
London Manila Pes 8.07-12
London Montreal Dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4
London New York Dol. 4.02 3/4-4.03 1/4
London Oslo Kr. 19.98 20.02
London Paris Fcs. 863.40-864.60
London Prague K 201-202
London Singapore 2/4 7/32-1/8
London Stockholm Kr. 14.47-50
London Switzerland Fcs 17.34-36
London Syria 880-5
London Discts 3 Months 9/16 p.c
London Discts 6 Months 5/8 p.c
Reserve Bank Rate 3 p.c Bank of England Rate 2 p.c.

Money:—Call 1/2 p c 3 months 3/4 p c 6 months 1 p c 12 months 1-1/2 p.c.

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POSITION OF SCHEDULED BANKS

The following is the Statement of the position of Scheduled Banks as at the close of business on the 27th February:—

	Rs.
Demand Liabilities:	
(a) In India	667,43,62,000
(b) In Pakistan	82,18,36,000
Time Liabilities:	
(a) In India	319,91,81,000
(b) In Pakistan	21,11,29,000
Cash:	
(i) Currency notes of the Government of India and Bank Notes.	
(a) In India	34,04,68,000
(b) In Pakistan	3,69,09,000
(ii) Rupee Coin:	
(a) In India	1,93,54,000
(b) In Pakistan	25,33,000
(iii) Subsidiary Coin:	
(a) In India	66,03,000
(b) In Pakistan	7,59,000
Balances with Reserve Bank	92,36,13,000
Advances:	
(a) In India	427,39,39,000
(b) In Pakistan	39,34,22,000
Bills discounted:	
(a) In India	16,40,70,000
(b) In Pakistan	92,40,000

NO SUFFICIENT INDUCEMENT FOR NEW ENTERPRISES

Mr. Hutson Criticises Tea & Coffee Tax

Elucidating his earlier interview with the "Bombay Chronicle" on the Central Budget, Mr. A. L. Hutson, President, Bombay Chamber of Commerce, said:—

Now that fuller details of the Budget proposals are available it is possible to subject them to more adequate examination. The general policy appears to be to afford some relief in direct taxation, which was admittedly overdone in the previous budget, and to fill the gap by increased taxes on luxuries and semi-luxuries, and by export duties on Indian produce which is at present in good demand from abroad. This policy follows current taxation trends, but the export duties in particular can only be regarded as a mere stop-gap, as they will have to be removed when competitive conditions return.

The measures proposed provide a certain amount of relief for existing companies, but are clearly insufficient to provide inducement for new enterprises, at least so long as the present uncertainty regarding Government's economic policy and labour policy continues.

The proposals for increased corporation tax on companies paying dividends outside India are found, when carefully examined, to be not unreasonable.

The criticisms I have to offer on particular items are:—

(1) The proposal to exempt donations to approved charities from tax, and the proposal to charge a lower rate of tax on profits below Rs. 25,0000 are both, in my opinion, unsound, and likely to lead to tax evasion and in the second case to fragmentation of business enterprises. (2) The policy of taxing minor luxuries and the ordinary amenities of life can be carried too far. People need small pleasures as well as the basic necessaries of life. I am very doubtful therefore about the tea and coffee a while the extra tax on Venaspati cannot be justified on any grounds whatever.

STEEL PRODUCTION PROSPECTS FOR 1948

Key Industries To Get Bigger Allotments

BY JOHN KINGSLEY

To meet all essential demands in 1948 Britain would require between 15,250,000 and 15,500,000 tons of ingot steel and castings. On the latest estimates, the maximum she is budgetting to get is 14,500,000 tons—14,000,000 tons from home production and 500,000 tons from imports.

Steel, therefore, now takes the place of coal as the major British production problem. At the same time, the performance on her 1948 steel production programme also becomes a matter of concern to many other countries. If the output target is not reached, exports of capital goods, engineering products and finished steel may have to be reduced

ENCOURAGING EFFORT

What are the steel production prospects? At the time of writing they are brighter than they were a few months ago, mainly because of an improvement in supplies of scrap and coke, and because of the splendid way in which all concerned with the industry are putting their backs into the job. The current task begins against a background of encouraging effort in 1947 when, after a bad start caused by the fuel crisis, the arrears were not only made up, but the year finished with the target of 12,500,000 tons being exceeded by a small margin.

The leaders of the steel industry are reasonably optimistic, but all forecasts, must be subject to the receipt of adequate supplies of coke, pig iron and scrap, particularly the latter. It is also well to remember that the 14,000,000-ton rate set for this year is not only 12.5 per cent. above the actual production of 1947, but it is more than 750,000 tons greater than the all-time record output of just under 13,250,000 tons reached in 1930.

ONE MILLION TONS SHORT

It takes rather more than one-and-one-third tons of ingot steel, to make one tons of finished steel, so the 1948 budget of 14,500,000 tons of ingot steel will become 10,500,000 tons of finished steel. As the needs for all essential purposes, including 1,000,000 tons for export, have been estimated at 11,500,000 tons of finished steel there will be a shortage of 1,000,000 tons.

REVISED ALLOCATION

At present the prospects are that the key industries will get allocations as follows: Engineering vehicles, rather more than last year; consumer goods, a little above 1947; agricultural machinery, a very substantial increase; railways, an important addition; electricity, a very substantial excess over last year; coalmines, a useful increase. On the other hand, certain industries will suffer cuts, such as factory and Government building, a two-fifths reduction; shipbuilding, a one-fifth reduction. gas industry, a little less than in 1947.

Even with these adjustments the prospect is that, unless there is a considerable spurt in the output of ingot steel, or substantial supplies under the Marshall Plan, cuts in the export targets of the industries using steel may be necessary.

Such cuts would mean that the export losses would have to be made up by the other industries.

Textiles will be the chief spearhead in the attack on bridging this new gap. They have the added advantage that they are amongst the best earners of hard currency — most of the cotton, linen and rayon goods and high-grade woollens and worsted cloths are in steady demand and are likely to remain so far some time to come.

MAY WHEAT GOES UP TEN-CENT LIMIT

CHICAGO, March 4, (UPA): May wheat shot upward the full ten-cent limit today after Secretary of Agriculture Clinton P. Anderson announced that the Government was "feeling its way back into the market.

SHIPPING NEWS

IMPORTS & EXPORTS

IMPORTS

S.S. STEELADVACATE

From New York:—154 drums coal-tar dyes, 263 cases electric motors, 123 drums synthetic resins, 28 bxs public address equipment, 43 cretes agricultural hand sprayers and dusties, 300 drums white petroleam mineral oil, 209 cases steel files, 100 drums motor oil, 182 drums glucose, 50 bdls ice cans, 80 bxs stain less steel circles, 400 bags soda ash, 32 drums caustic potash, 1249 drums lubricating oil, 31 drums aniline dyes, 236 ctns ink, 648 bdls conduit, 29 bxs bench drilling machinery, 1757 bags zinc oxide, 28 bdls steel bars, 371 coilwire rods, 775 bdls hickey squares co. Ltd.

GOODS ENTERED FOR EXPORT

S.S. KHANDALA

To Mombasa:—10 bags fennel seed—Renown Commercial Corp.

S.S ISMAILA

To London:—6 bales cotton raw—K. Devchand and Co. Ltd. 20 bags alonic roots—All India Herb Supply

S.S. LEMSTERKERK

To Antwerp:—200 bales cotton raw—M. Motilal. 875 bales—Volkart Bros. 330 bales—Volkart Bros.

S.S. AMRA

To Mombasa:—55 bags coir rope—V. Shah.

To Genoa:—2100 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros.

To Rotterdam:—55 bales cotton raw—Volkart Bros.

To Boston:—50 bales cotton raw—Volkart Bros.

S.S DUIN

To Trieste:—325 bales cotton raw—K. Devchand and Co. Ltd.

To Genoa:—560 bales cotton raw—K. Devchand and Co. Ltd.

To Venice:—110 bales cotton raw—K. Devchand and Co. Ltd.

S.S. STEEL NAVIGATOR

To New York:—Drug un 280 bags—At K. Davis and Co. 323 bags—K. Kapur and Co. 400 bales cotton raw Volkart Bros.

S.S. JALARAJAN

To Liverpool:— 2,000 bales cotton raw— V. Devchand C. Ltd.

380 bales cotton raw Podar Trading Co., Ltd.

S. S. HAINA

To Antwerp:— 500 bales cotton raw— Devchand and Co., Ltd.

100 bales cotton raw—K. Ismail.

339 bags caffhier seed—J. Probhu Das and Co.

To Rotterdam:— 825 bales cotton raw— The International cotton Corp. Ltd.

To Oslo:— 1468 bags groundnut seed— C. Ajamshibhai.

To Gottemberg:— 32 bags pepper seed— L. Mukundrai and Co.

17 bags drysalted goat skin C. Western India skin Exporters.

To Genoa:— 250 bales cotton raw—Volkart Bros.

Arrivals And Departures Of Steamers

ARRIVALS

S. S. "MALIKA" arrived from Calcutta on March 5, with 6140 tons of coal (T. Morrison)

S.S. "AKBAR" arrived from Karachi on March 4, with 60 tons of general cargo—packages of fruit, and 2005 passengers (M.M.).

S.S. "SANCARLO" arrived from Trieste, on March 4, with 1350 tons of general cargo (Volkart).

S.S. "BRITISH GRATITUDE" arrived from Abadan on March 5 with 12,303 tons of refined Petroleum (A.I.O. Co., Ltd.)

SAILINGS

S.S. "VICTORIA MARIE" sailed for—coastal on March 3, with 500 tons of general cargo.

S. S. "KHOSROW" sailed for Karachi, on March 4, with 1272 passengers.

Spot Houses Buying May And July Cotton Contracts

WALL STREET BARELY STEADY

NEW YORK, March 4.

COTTON: Prices advanced sharply after opening irregularity. Spot houses were good buyers of May and July with active covering and other buying directly influenced by the opening strength of grains and everpresent export prospects under the Marshall plan. When Grains reacted prices here also gave way owing to increased profittaking. In the afternoon the market was rather nervous reflecting conflicting influences with alternate spurts of trade buying and covering opposed to hedge and other selling. The market action after early buoyancy is thought to be chiefly technical. The market closed barely steady. Sales are estimated at 300,000 bales.

WALL STREET MARKET

STOCKS: There was narrow limited interest, with the market disregarding sharp rallies in commodities and still watching domestic and foreign matters. The continued decline in Danish and Norwegian bonds attracted attention. While movements covered a dollar either way, losses were slightly more prominent towards midday. Department stores were influenced by numerous retailer doubts whether they were able to hold dollar volume gains of upto ten per cent made in January and February. Rubbers were unsettled by tyre output reductions following winter slump. The averages were industrials 168.36 and rails 49.76. In the afternoon trading was slow as SPxBYtt ——— gkj mfw mfwyfggggg the market fluctuated narrowly around noontime levels with operators noting but ignoring Britain's denial of the widespread rumours that she had proposed devaluation of the pound. Belgian franc and Dutch Florin. Westinghouse Electric Corporation were slightly affected by the reduction in some refrigerator prices, dispute over pay rate on the new design of the Turbo Generator with five thousand workers striking and halting operations in the East Pittsburg transportation and generator division, and mid-March meeting scheduled with the C. I. O. union to discuss the wage situation generally. Prices sagged fairly generally in late trading. The market closed, with a moderately long line of losses covering one dollar or more, barely steady.

CHICAGO GRAINS

All grains advanced sharply at the outset with May wheat at Chicago and Minneapolis rising by the ten cent limit. The strength of wheat reflected the announcement of April grain allocations and that the production and marketing administration requested mills to offer flour for acceptance by noon of Friday. Indication that Government will resume wheat buying shortly added to the buoyancy. Prices retreated as upturn attracted increased profit-taking with wheat reacting as much as three to five cents a bushel from earlier highs. The decline however uncovered commercial support stimulated by continued strength of cash markets and light country offerings. According to Kansas city advices flour millers overnight offered Holland 14,000 longtons of 80 per cent extraction flour wheat equivalent.

NEW YORK COTTON

NEW YORK, March 4

March	34.00+26
May	34.18+37
May Highest	34.38+62
May Lowest	33.73—08
July	33.33+45
October	30.30 34
December	29.85+39
March	29.55+34
May	29.30+18
July	28.60
Middling Spot	35.00+40

NEW ORLEANS COTTON

NEW YORK, March 4

March	34.06+35
May	34.10+33
July	33.28+34
October	30.30+33
December	29.80+29
Middling Spot	35.90+40

New York Stock Exchange

NEW YORK, March 4

American Telephone and Telegraph	150-1/4
Amerex Holding Co.	25
Anaconda Copper Mining/Exdv.	32-1/4
Chase National Bank	34-1/8
Sinclair Oil Co	16-5/8
Firestone Tyre and Rubber Co.	45-5/8
General Electric Co.	32-5/8
General Motors	53
Ingersol Rand	120
International Nickel	25-3/8
National City Bank of New York	37-7/8
New York Central Rail Road Co	13-1/8
Socony Vacuum Corporation	15-3/8
Texas Corporation	54
Union Carbon and Carbide	38-1/2
U.S. Smelting Refining Mining Co.	44
U.S. Steel Corporation (Common)	69-1/2
Western Union Telegraph	19-3/8

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE

LONDON, March 4

Consols 2-1/2 p.c.	£78-5/8
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p.c 1961	£105
War Loan 3-1/2 p.c. 1952 and after	£103-15/16
Funding Loan 4 p.c. 1960/90	£113-3/4
Victory Bonds 4 p.c.	£114
Chartered Bank of I.A. and China	£10-11/16
Hongkong and Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	£117-1/2
National Bank of India	£35-1/4

Transactions on the London Stock Exchange are officially 6,434

CHICAGO WHEAT

CHICAGO, March 4.

March	2.56-3/4 to 2.56-3/4
May	2.48-3/4 to 2.49
July	2.28-1/2 to 2.28-3/4
September	2.25-1/4 to 2.25-1/4

LONDON WHEAT

LONDON, March 4.

Australian wheat (bulk) 137/6 Mar/Apl/Quoted

SILVER PRICES FLUCTUATION

Alleged Conspiracy By Calcutta Brokers

CALCUTTA, March 4 (API): The allegation that following the death of Mahatma Gandhi certain interested persons entered into collusion, and taking advantage of the situation in the country, managed to effect restriction of trunk telephone calls between Calcutta and Bombay for a day, and in an artificial manner brought about a fall in silver bullion prices, is being investigated by the special staff of the police (War Department, Government of India).

It is stated that those responsible for the alleged manipulation of the market profited considerably financially.

The police searched about ten places in this connection, including the offices of some brokers, and certain books and papers were seized.

The Bombay price of silver ready which was Rs. 168/8 at closing on January 30 dropped to Rs. 149/8 by February 7. The corresponding prices in Calcutta were Rs. 167/12 and Rs. 148 respectively

LONDON BULLION

LONDON, March 4.

Silver Spot	45d
Silver Forward	45d
Gold	£8.12.3

LONDON, March 4.

T.T. London on:	
New York Selling	4.0275
New York Buying	4.0325
Madrid	44.00
Montreal Selling	4.0275
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PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, UNITED PROVINCES

APPLICATIONS are invited from persons of Indian Domicile, subjects of Indian States and registered refugees from Pakistan for the permanent and pensionable post of Chief Inspector of Boilers, U.P. in class I of the U.P. Service of Inspectors of Boilers and Factories. Pay:—Rs. 500-1200/- P.M. with a conveyance allowance of Rs. 40/- P.M. Probation one year. Qualifications:—(a) Diploma of Associate Membership of the Institute of Mechanical Engineers; or (b) a first class or an extra first class Board of Trade Certificate; or (c) an Associate Member of Institution of Engineers (India) provided that he has either passed section B of the Associate Membership Examination of the Institution with either 'Steam or other Heat Engines' or 'the theory of Machines and Machine Design' or passed an examination recognised by the said Institution as exempting him from that examination with one of these two subjects; or (d) a first class certificate of Engineering from an Engineering Institution in India, which has been recognised by the U.P. Government and in each case with at least 15 years experience in the management, repairs or Inspection of Boilers. Age:—between 35 years and 45 years for outside candidates on August 1, 1948. For Political Sufferers and Departmental candidates the upper age-limit will be 49 and 50 years respectively. The said limit will be greater by 3 years for Scheduled Caste candidates. Government servants, including class II Boiler Inspectors in U.P., if otherwise qualified, are also eligible if permitted by their departments. Working knowledge of Hindi is essential. Applications on the prescribed form (obtainable from the Secretary up to March 27, 1948) will be received up to April 6, 1948.

Dated Allahabad, February 19, 1948.

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NOTICE

WANTED for immediate delivery one WATER TUBE BOILER new or second-hand capable of raising 15,000 to 18,000 Lbs. steam per hour at 300 Lbs pressure Coal fired or oil fired.

Also wanted Diesel Engines with alternators of 5000 K.W. or above.

Offers may be sent to the undersigned.

(Sd.) N. SWAMI,
Director of Industries,
Holkar State Indore.

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G. I. P. RAILWAY
TENDER NOTICE

THE EXECUTIVE ENGINEER, Bhore and Thull Ghauts, G. I. P. Rly., Lonavla, invites tender upto 16-30 hrs on 10-3-1948 for supplying and loading into wagons clean Karjat sand suitable for mortar. Schedule of quantities and condition of contract can be had from his office on payment of Rs 2/- per copy This sum will not be refunded

Lonavla 27-2-1948.

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NOTICE

THE UNDERSIGNED invites Tenders before 15-3-1948 for the purchase and removal of approximately 250 tons of Cocoanut oil in stock with Civil Supplies Department. Tender forms can be had during working hours from the undersigned who is not bound to accept the highest or any tender.

A. K. RAMAN,
Director of Civil Supplies (A/CS),
New India Assurance Building,
Fort, Bombay.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF FOOD (DIV. II)
Office of the Chief Director of Purchase
New Delhi, Dated...-3-48.
TENDER NOTICE NO. D/340

TENDERS are invited from parties having experience in handling linseed for export for appointment as Agents for receiving and preparing for export about 800 tons linseed.

2 Applications for tender forms containing the terms and conditions for appointment as agents will be received upto 4/00 p.m. on 15-3-48.

3 The price of each tender form is Re. 10/- per set which is not refundable under any circumstances. Payments must be made in cash or money order (cheques will not be accepted) to the Chief Director of Purchase, Ministry of Food (Div. II) quoting tender No. D/340 and remitter's full address should be given on the coupon. The tender forms are not transferable.

4 Tenderers will be required to submit Rs. 5,000/- (Rupees five thousand only) as Earnest Money with their tenders and the successful tenderers will be required to deposit Rs. 50,000 (Rupees fifty thousand only) as Security.

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LOANS & MORTGAGES

Loans arranged on very easy terms Apply stating your requirements to Mr G. S. Monga, Post Box No. 119 Baroda (7937)

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Available ex-Stocks American Electric Gramophones from Rs 180/ Flourescent tubes and reflectors Electric lamps all standard voltages and types from 15 watt to 1000 watts C.T.S cables all sizes good discounts for quantities Apply Box No. 3985 "Bombay Chronicle."

PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DISPOSALS

SEALED TENDERS in double covers both superscribed "Tender No. MFD 1/48" are invited for the purchase of the following stores:—

Name of Store	Location	Quantity	Minimum bid	Reserve price.
1. D.D.T. Powder (insecticide "Technical 100%").	No 3 Res. Pase POL Depot, Panagarh, Bengal.	145 tons.	10 tons	Rs. 2/- per lb.
2. Dimethyl Phthalate (used in the Plastic Industry and as an Insect repellant).	3 I.R.B.S.D. Panagarh (Bengal)	25,000 gallons	250 gals.	Rs. 15/- per gl.
3. Dibutyl Phthalate (used in the Plastic Industry and as a Mite repellant)	-do-	40,500 gallons	250 gals.	Rs. 15/- per gl.
4 Tabellae Sulphaguanidine O.S.G.	Medical Store Depot, Raipur.	18,711,000 Nos.	500,000 Nos.	Rs. 10/- per 1,000.
5. Powder Sulphaguanidine.	Textile Commissioner's Godown, Haji Bunder, Bombay.	1500 lbs.	500 lbs.	Rs. 10/- per lb.
6 Sulphanilamide Tab. 5 gr.	-do-	3,000,000 Tab.	1,000,000 Tab.	Rs. 2/8/- per 1,000.
7. Aerosol Bombs (for destroying mosquitoes).	3 I.R.B.S.D. Panagarh.	100,000 Nos.	1,000 Nos.	Rs. 3/- each.
8 Tab. Mepacrine Hydrochloride O.I.G.	Central Medical Stores Depot, Bombay.	75,000,000 Nos.	5,000,000 Nos.	Rs. 5/- per 1,000.

All quantities are approximate.

LAST DATE FOR RECEIPT OF TENDERS: 4 P.M. on 22nd March, 1948.

PUBLIC OPENING OF TENDERS: at 11 A.M. on 23rd March, 1948.

OFFERS TO REMAIN OPEN FOR ACCEPTANCE UP TO: 23rd April, 1948.

Tenders accompanied by a receipt for 10% of the total price offered, deposited in favour of theDirector General of Disposals under the Head of Account "Revenue Deposits" in Imperial Bank Reserve Bank of India or Government Treasury, should be addressed to the Director General of Disposals, Miscellaneous Stores Directorate, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi. Conditional offers, offers below the reserve price or for quantities less than the minimum bid, and tenders without the receipt for earnest money will not be considered. Earnest money will not be accepted in cash or by cheque.

Permits to view the stores may be obtained from the Disposals Offices at New Delhi, Calcutta, Bombay, Kanpur and Madras.

Sales will be ex site and subject to the Conditions laid down in Form Con. 117, a copy of which may be seen at any of the abovementioned Disposals Offices.

Issued by
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF DISPOSALS.
MISCELLANEOUS STORES DTE., NEW DELHI.

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FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ADVERTISEMENT NO. 10.

APPLICATIONS invited for the undermentioned posts from nationals of Indian Dominion by birth or by domicile. Persons of Indian descent or citizens of the Indian States or of the Pakistan Dominion or of any other territory adjacent to India are also eligible but a declaration of eligibility issued by the Government of the Dominion of India will be necessary in their case before appointment. Women eligible for all posts. Upper age limit relaxable by 3 years for Scheduled Caste candidates. Particulars and application forms from Secretary, Federal Public Service Commission, Council House, New Delhi. When applying for forms candidates must specify the name of the post. Closing date for applications with treasury receipt or Crossed Indian Postal Order for Rs. 7/8/- (Rs. 1/14/- for Scheduled Caste candidates) 3rd April, 1948. Cheques or Money Orders not accepted. Separate application with separate fee required for each category of posts. Candidates from outside India are not required to pay any application fee and may apply on plain paper if prescribed application forms not available. No candidate will be considered for appointment unless he appears for a personal interview if called upon to do so.

(1) THREE TEMPORARY POSTS OF RESEARCH OFFICERS (SCIENTIFIC OFFICERS) AT THE INLAND FISHERIES RESEARCH STATION, CALCUTTA/PULTA. AGE: Preferably below 40 years, relaxable for specially qualified persons. PAY: Senior Scale: Rs. 600-40-1000-1000-1050-1050 - 1100 - 1100 - 1150, with higher initial pay up to Rs. 800/- in special cases. Junior Scale: Rs. 350-350-380-380-30-590-E.B.-30-770-40-850, with higher initial pay up to Rs. 440/- in special cases. QUALIFICATIONS:

1. RESEARCH OFFICER (POND CULTURE).
   (a) A research Degree in Zoology preferably a Doctorate of a recognised Indian or Foreign University.
   (b) Considerable training in recognised Institute in methods of Research in aquatic biology or biochemistry.
   (c) At least 5 years Research Experience in Zoology (and in Biochemistry, if possible) and evidence of original research work and publications, copies of which should be sent.
   (d) Evidence of having worked on the Bionomics of fresh water fishes with special reference to carps, and if possible of having carried out researches on the physico-chemical conditions in impounded waters.
2. RESEARCH OFFICER (RIVERINE & LACUSTRINE RESEARCH).
   Qualifications (a), (b) and (c) same as for post (1) above.
   (d) Experience of fresh water ecology and Biological methods—especially life histories of riverine and Lacustrine fishes and their migratory movements.
3. RESEARCH OFFICER (ESTUARINE RESEARCH).
   Qualifications (a), (b) and (c) same as for post (1) above.
   (d) Experience of estuarine research and field work in lake and estuaries, especially life histories of brackish water fishes and their migratory movement.

(2) TWO PERMANENT POSTS OF ASSISTANT ENGINEERS AT THE INDIAN AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH INSTITUTE, NEW DELHI. Other things being equal, preference will be given to a Scheduled Caste candidate. AGE: Preferably below 35 years, relaxable only in the case of persons already in Government Service. PAY: Rs. 275-25-500-30-650-30-800. Higher initial pay may be granted in special cases. QUALIFICATIONS: (a) Degree in Mechanical Engineering or equivalent qualification of a recognised Institution or an Associate member of the Indian Society of Engineers or Institute of Mechanical Engineers (London), (b) Experience in actual charge of mechanical engineering work. (c) Proof of capacity of original thinking.

(3) ONE TEMPORARY POST OF HORTICULTURIST, AJMER-MERWARA. Preference will be given to a resident of Ajmer-Merwara. AGE—Preferably not above 45 years. PAY—Rs. 200-12-320-15-500. QUALIFICATIONS—(a) M.Sc. in Horticulture or B.Sc. (Agriculture) with Horticulture as a major subject. (b) Practical experience of about two years in Horticultural operations, particularly in budding, grafting and top working of wild Ber plants.

(4) THREE ASSISTANT DEPARTMENTAL STATISTICIANS IN THE INDIAN ARMY STATISTICAL ORGANIZATION, ARMY HEADQUARTERS, INDIA. The posts are temporary but likely to be made permanent. AGE: Preferably between 30 and 45 years. PAY: Rs. 350-25-500-E.B.-30-650-E.B.-30-800. QUALIFICATIONS: ESSENTIAL: (a) First Class M.A. Degree in Mathematics or Statistics. (b) Training in Statistical Theory and Methods and Research work. DESIRABLE Two to 3 years' experience of statistical work in Government Departments or recognised institution.

(5) ONE POST OF SOIL CHEMIST, FOREST RESEARCH INSTITUTE, DEHRA DUN. The post is temporary for the present but is likely to be made permanent. AGE: Preferably below 45 years; relaxable in case of Government servants. PAY: Rs. 275-25-500-30-650-30-800. QUALIFICATIONS: ESSENTIAL: A Ph.D. in Agricultural Chemistry or M.Sc. in Chemistry with subsequent research in Soil Science. A graduate already in Government service with experience of research in Forest Soils will also be considered. DESIRABLE: Research in Forest Soils. Other things being equal, a Scheduled Caste candidate will be preferred.

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PUBLIC NOTICES

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF INDUSTRIES & SUPPLIES,
Office of the Director of Supplies,
Graham Road, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.

THE DIRECTOR of Supplies, Bombay, invites Tender No. BOM/E.3/1488 to reach him on or before 11 a.m. on th Feb. 1948 on forms (not transferable) obtainable from his office at Rs. 3/- (Rs. Three only) (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash, by Money Order, or Indian Postal Order (quoting Tender number, Full name and address of the remitter) for:—

Item No.	Description of Stores.	Quantity.
1.	Flood light projector out door type, suitable to take 1000 Watts 230 Volts. General Service Lamps as per specification.	20 Nos.
2.	Flood light projector, out door type to take 500 Watts, 230 Volts. General service lamp as per specification.	5 Nos.

Applicants not already on the approved list of this Department or the late Department of Supply must give their Bankers' reference on applications for tender forms. Tender forms will not be issued to firms already black-listed.

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NOTICE

FOR THE POSTS OF ASSISTANT HEALTH OFFICER AND CONSERVANCY SUPERVISOR, HEALTH DEPTT.

APPLICATIONS are invited for the following posts in the Health Department. The Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd.; Jamshedpur:—

1 ONE ASSISTANT HEALTH OFFICER

Starting pay Rs. 400/- in the scale of Rs. 400-50-650/-. This grade is subject to revision. QUALIFICATION—Candidates should be Medical Graduates with D.P.H. Diploma or Hygien Degree of a recognised University. Preference will be given to candidates possessing foreign qualification and previous experience in Public Health work of large Municipal towns.

2 ONE CONSERVANCY SUPERVISOR:—

Starting pay Rs. 200/- in the scale of Rs. 200-20-300/-. This grade is subject to revision.

QUALIFICATION—Candidates shall be Medical Graduates with or without D.P.H. Diploma or Hygiene Degree of a recognized Indian University.

Applications from candidates with lower qualifications but having long experience in conservancy work in large Municipalities and having sufficient supervising capabilities may be considered.

Leave, Provident Fund, Profit-Sharing Bonus, besides other allowances are admissible in accordance with the Company's Rules.

Applications with three recent copies of testimonials, stating age, qualifications, experience, should reach the Assistant Director of Personnel (Employment), The Tata Iron & Steel Co. Ltd., Jamshedpur, on or before the 21st of March, 1948.

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TENDER NOTICE

SEALED TENDERS on plain papers to be eventually drawn in P. W. D. Form No. 59 XLV for the supply of two crores of Kiln Burnt Bricks (75 p.c. 1st class and 25 p.c. 2nd class) size 10" x 5" x 3" at Kiln site, to confirm to Orissa P.W.D. Specification are invited from all 'A' Class Contractors and bonafide brick manufacturers in all Provinces in India, Central P.W.D. and M.E.S. for the construction of the New Capital at Bhubaneswar (B.N. Rly.) Orissa.

The minimum quantity to be offered is 25 lakhs and time for supply is from the end of October, 1948 to the end of May, 1949.

Black coal for burning bricks will be supplied by Government from their Godown at Bhubaneswar Railway Station at Rs 28 (twenty eight) per ton.

The earth from which bricks are to be manufactured must be got passed by the Superintending Engineer, Bhubaneswar Capital Circles, before the manufacturing operations are started.

Earnest money at the rate of Rs. 100/- per every Rs. 5,000/- for the tendered amount, must reach the undersigned along with tender. All tenders must reach the undersigned before noon on MONDAY, the 30th of March, 1948.

Any other information required in connection with this tender may be obtained from the undersigned

M. S. KAHAI
Superintending Engineer.

Bhubaneshwar Capital Construction Circle
P. O. Bhubaneswar
Dist., Puri (Orissa).

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
MINISTRY OF LABOUR.

APPLICATIONS are invited for two temporary posts of Assistant Engineers on the scale 275-25-500-EB-30-650-EB-30-800 under Coal Mines Welfare Fund for the works to be executed in Central Province.

QUALIFICATIONS: Graduate from a recognised University with at least 5 years experience in building constructions. Persons already in service with sufficient experience of buildings projects though possessing less qualification may apply.

The applications should reach the undersigned by the 25th March, 1948.

(Sd.) B. R. MALHOTRA,
Superintending Engineer.
Coal Mines Welfare Works,
Serai Dhela, Dhanbad.

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FEDERAL PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

ADVERTISEMENT NO. 11

APPLICATIONS invited for the undermentioned posts from nationals of Indian Dominion by birth or by domicile. Persons of Indian descent or citizens of the Indian States or of the Pakistan Dominion or of any other territory adjacent to India are also eligible but a declaration of eligibility issued by the Government of the Dominion of India will be necessary in their case before appointment. WOMEN INELIGIBLE. Upper age limit relaxable by 3 years in case of Scheduled Caste candidates. Cheques or Money Orders not accepted. Separate application with separate fee required for each category of posts. Candidates from outside India are not required to pay any application fee. No candidate will be considered for appointment unless he appears for a personal interview if called upon to do so. Applications on plain paper accompanied by a Treasury Receipt or a Crossed Indian Postal Order for Rs. 7/8/- (Rs. 1/14/- for Scheduled Caste candidates) and giving the undermentioned particulars should reach the Secretary, Federal Public Service Commission, Council House, New Delhi, before the 20th March, 1948 1. Name of the post for which applying. 2. Name and address. 3. Father's name. 4 Date of birth. 5. Domicile. 6. Qualifications. 7 Previous experience. 8. Minimum salary acceptable. 9. Names (with addresses) of 3 persons as references. They should be holders of responsible positions but must not be relations.

1. ONE POST OF ASSISTANT WORKS MANAGER (PRECISION INSTRUMENTS PRODUCTION) IN INDIAN ORDNANCE FACTORIES. TENURE On contract basis for 3 years but likely to be permanent. AGE Preferably below 45 years. PAY Rs. 350-350-380-380-30-590-E.B.-30-770-40-850. For persons in continuous Government employ since 27th September, 1931 Rs. 600-50-800. QUALIFICATIONS (a) Degree in Engineering or A.M.I. Mech. E. or A.M.I.E. (India) or an associate member of the Institute of Procution Engineers and (b) three years practical experience and/or apprenticeship with an Engineering firm preferably relating to the design and manufacture of precision instruments.

2. ONE GAZETTED POST OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF DEVELOPMENT (WEAPONS) IN THE DIRECTORATE OF TECHNICAL DEVELOPMENT. TENURE on contract basis for 3 years, but likely to become permament. AGE Preferably below 45 years. PAY Rs. 350-350-380-380-30-590-E.B.-30-770-40-850. For persons in continuous Government employ since 27th September, 1931 Rs. 600-50-800. QUALIFICATIONS (a) Degree in Mechanical Engineering of an Indian or Foreign University or equivalent and (b) at least 3 years practical experience and work in an Armament Factory or establishment with special reference to small arms.

3. TWELVE GAZETTED POSTS OF CIVILIAN TECHNICAL OFFICERS (MAINTENANCE/TELECOMMUNICATIONS) AND TWELVE NON-GAZETTED POSTS OF FOREMAN (SIGNALS) IN THE INDIAN SIGNAL CORPS. TENURE On contract for 3 years but likely to be extended. AGE Preferably below 45 years. PAY FOR CIVILIAN TECHNICAL OFFICERS — Rs. 275-25-500-E.B.-650-30-800. Higher initial pay may be given to candidates with outstanding qualifications. FOR FOREMAN (SIGNALS) Rs. 200-10-300. Higher initial pay may be given to candidates with outstanding qualifications. QUALIFICATIONS (a) Degree in Electrical Engineering of an Indian University or equivalent with sound knowledge of Telecommunications which may be relaxed in case of candidates with wide workshop experience. (b) Practical experience in maintenance and repair of telecommunications (wireless and line) equipment will be an additional qualification. Selected candidates will be required to undergo a special course at Mhow for 4 months, followed by six months' probation. Candidates may be called upon to appear for a written test before interview

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NOTICE

REQUIRED CLERK of Works on Building Construction Work. Apply with testimonials, etc. to Planning Engineer. B. E. S. T. Committee, Electric House, Fort, Bombay. 7637

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited from qualified and experienced persons for the two posts of Head Masters of High Schools in Junagadh City. Pay Rs. 150-10-250 but higher initial pay will be given to persons with special qualifications and long standing and experience. Knowledge of Hindi will be considered additional qualifications. Appointment if continuous is pensionable but terminable on one month's notice on either side. Candidates selected will be on probation for six months and will have to come at their own expense. If called for interview. Applications stating age, native place, academic qualifications, administrative and teaching experience etc. should be sent to the Administrator, Junagadh State, Junagadh before 20th March, 1948.

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BOMBAY PORT TRUST

SEALED TENDERS are invited for supplying and delivering completely equipped, afloat in Bombay Harbour, one steel, Twin Screw Seagoing Tug in accordance with the following dimensions:

Length B.P	130'-0"
Length Overall	142'-6"
Breadth Moulded	33'-0"
Depth Moulded	13'-9"
Loaded Draft Aft	12'-6"
Forward	9'-00"
Speed on trial not less than	12 Knots

Conditions of Contract, Specification, and general arrangement plan, tender form and draft agreement can be obtained from this office on payment in cash of Rs. 50/- per set. Tenders will be received upto 1 P.M. (S.T.) on Monday the 31st May 1948.

CHIEF ENGINEER.
Ballard Road,
Fort, Bombay.

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NOTICE

APPLICATIONS are invited for the Sub-Inspectors' Course at the Police Training School, Nalkaum, Bombay, commencing from 1st May, 1948.

2 A candidate should possess the following qualifications:—

AGE:
(i) He must be between 19 and 25 years of age.
(ii) A candidate with approved war service will be allowed the concession of adding to the maximum age limit of 25 years the number of completed years of approved war service.
(iii) A Backward Class candidate will be eligible upto 30 years of age.

EDUCATION:—Inter Arts or equivalent examination.

HEIGHT:—Not less than 5'-5".

CHEST MEASUREMENT:—Deflated 33" and 2" expansion.

A good knowledge of Marathi, Gujrati or Hindustani is essential.

Certificates from two respectable persons as to moral character and social standing.

No person who is not a statutory native of India will be eligible.

Candidates from the Province of Bombay will be given preference.

3 (i) Qualified candidates will have to appear for a written test of Matriculation standard in the following subjects:—
(a) General knowledge.
(b) English—Essay and Precis writing.
(c) Indian Ancient History—period from 4000 B. C. to 647 A. D.

The test will be held in the Head Police Office, Bombay, on the 8th and 9th April 1948.

(ii) Every candidate will be required to pay an examination fee of Rs. 4/- at the time of appearing for the examination.

(iii) Only those who are successful in the examination will be interviewed by the Selection Board.

(iv) Travelling expenses in connection with the selection will not be paid.

4 Intending applicants should forward their applications written in their own handwriting stating all particulars with copies of certificates and testimonials (which will not be returned) addressed to the Dy. Commissioner of Police, Head Quarters, Bombay (and not to any one by name) so as to reach him on or before 20th March 1948.

NOTE: Full name, address and the particulars regarding age, etc. mentioned in paragraph (2) above should be written in block letters in the beginning of the application. Candidates should refer to the Commissioner of Police's Notification No. 4935/177 dated 1st March 1948 published on page 1118 of the Bombay Government Gazette, Part I dated 4th March 1948 for the detailed particulars regarding conditions and terms of appointment.

5 Candidates not fulfilling the required conditions or not supplying particulars asked for will be rejected and no correspondence will be carried on with them.

Head Police Office:
Bombay, 4th March, 1948

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NOTICE

THE EASTERN BANK LIMITED

(Incorporated in England, the Liability of Members being Limited.)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TRANSFER BOOKS of the Bank will be CLOSED from 19th March to 31st March, both days inclusive.

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